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Fierce fighting in north Lebanon's main city

BEIRUT. — Fierce street fighting between Christian and Moslem gunmen in northern Lebanon's major city, Tripoli, forced residents to flee their homes yesterday and pushed a two-day truce toward total collapse.

Fighting also flared in several Beirut suburbs, where police reported six persons killed and eight wounded. The hotel district in downtown Beirut was mostly calm, but gunmen of leftist Moslem and right-wing Christian militias were still in the area.

In Tripoli the clashes claimed 16 dead and 45 wounded, security officers said. Mortar shells hit a school and rockets set several apartment buildings afire. "The fighting was ferocious," a police spokesman said. "Hundreds of local residents had to flee their homes to safer villages in the neighbourhood."

An attack on a Moslem village near the official presidential residence last night increased tension around Beirut. Five people were killed when a large force attacked the village.

Beirut Radio reported fighting along the road from the capital to Damascus and in five city suburbs.

President Suleiman Franjieh, addressing the cabinet yesterday, obliquely criticised the role of the Palestinians in the crisis, according to an official account.

Referring to a memorandum issued by the Palestinian terrorist movement two months ago reaffirming its respect for Lebanon's sovereignty, President Franjieh said: "All that has been going on in Lebanon contradicts what this memorandum contained." *(Reuter)*

Gur on Lebanon raid

error bases must be hit when necessary

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ief of Staff Mordechai Gur yesterday that Israel must rrorist bases across the bor- us the need for such action just as it had done in the

said that the targets in the nber 2 raid in Lebanon were rist installations outside the an area, and that these tar- were hit accurately.

rhaps some bombs missed and ed; we regret if any civilians hit." There was no intention tting civilians, and the action be judged within the over-all e of Israel's war against ter- e said.

Alnf Gur was answering stu- questions in the packed Wise rium on the Hebrew Univer- Givat Ram campus.

reply to one question the Chief aff defended the decision to he expensive American F-15 plane. This decision was just rrect as the decision in the to buy the French Mirage, was also criticized at the because of the plane's cost, id.

ed *"how Zahal can expect to* the Arabs, when it couldn't the Gush Emunim settlers bastia last week," R/A Gur hat it would be a fatal mis- o compare external wars with l civil struggles. Zahal had disobeyed an order, he said, ng that if ordered to evict the settlers the soldiers would have *done so.* "But we don't want to see Jew pitted against Jew for ideological reasons."

Rav-Aluf Gur said that Saudi Arabia was being quickly and heavily armed by the U.S., and was joining the ranks of Arab "confrontation" states. "It is no consolation for us to be told by the Americans that the Saudis are unable to handle the sophisticated weapons they're acquiring. Across the Bay of Eilat we have a long border with Saudia and Eilat is within artillery range. We have to reckon with the Saudis more and more, also because, like Libya, they represent a weapons arsenal."

If another war broke out "we must win it quickly and decisively, so that these arsenals cannot be brought into operation."

The Chief of Staff said that Egypt was keeping to the interim agreement, except for minor infractions. This proved that the agreement was important to them. While changing over from the Russian to the U.S. weapons system, the Egyptians were passing through a period of weakness which would undoubtedly affect their attitude towards us. "But the Russians are not *completely out of the picture. It is too* early to judge if the strengthening of the U.S. position in Egypt is good for Israel," he added.

Syria was a different case and more dangerous because it was still tied to Russia politically and continued to receive weapons from them, the Chief of Staff said.

Rabin says clash with 'Gush' is inevitable

TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday issued a sharp attack on Gush Emunim, terming it a political, not a settlement, movement "intent on imposing its views in violation of the Government's beliefs and of all democratic processes."

Rabin spoke before the Council of *"Lashiluv,"* a grouping of younger Labour Party members.

Rabin pointed to the fact that Kiryat Arba, near Hebron, had dozens of flats standing empty. Of the 614 jobs at four plants there, only 389 were filled, about half of them by Arab residents of Hebron.

Those who truly wished to settle, said Rabin, "have housing *and jobs waiting for them in* Kiryat Arba."

The Prime Minister urged members of his party to refrain from "an excess of identification" with Gush Emunim.

Members of the audience called out "Then why did you compromise with the would-be settlers?" Rabin replied:

"A confrontation with Gush *Emunim is unavoidable* and those who believe this must use their judgment as to how and when." He declared that the party must gear up for an ideological confrontation: "bayonets alone will not solve the problem. Don't make things too easy for yourselves," Rabin told the audience.

Mr. Rabin also defended the interim agreement with Egypt and chided the Likud to the right, and the smaller parties to the left of the Alignment, who opposed the agreement.

The interim agreement, he said, prevented extremist anti-Israel steps by the Arab world as a whole and sharpened differences between the Arab states.

He said negotiations with any Palestinian political grouping would lead directly to recognition of a third state between Israel and Jordan.

Mr. Rabin asserted that Egypt today was militarily weaker than it was at the time of the October War, and that as a result of the interim agreement the danger of a coordinated Arab military attack against Israel had decreased.



Israel Defence Minister with the U.S. Defence Secretary, Donald Rumsfeld, at the Pentagon on Tuesday. (AP radiophoto)

Peres told U.S. is awaiting proposals

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel Defence Minister Shimon Peres told American officials and Congressmen during his two-day visit to Washington not to expect very much diplomatic movement in the Middle East during the coming year, but at the same time not to expect a resumption of hostilities.

The U.S., however, is said to be awaiting proposals from Israel and the Arabs on a "suitable next step."

It is understood that although Mr. Peres was promised that an attempt would be made to speed up deliveries of certain equipment, no specific delivery date was given.

Peres, who was due to leave New York last night, believes that Syria will not resume hostilities because they are continuing to strengthen their coalition of partners, including Iraq, Jordan and the PLO.

The Defence Minister has been saying that the Arab world is currently faced with a split between this pro-Syrian coalition and a less extreme coalition of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and also Iran. The two coalitions, Peres has told the Americans, are building up their arms coffers, but are not ready to go to war against Israel because arms shipments are still in the pipeline.

Because of the presidential election in the United States next November, Peres has candidly conceded, Israel does not foresee much room for negotiations since Prime Minister Rabin's Government is taking a wait-and-see attitude.

During a 30-minute meeting with Sen. Henry Jackson yesterday morning, Peres was told that the Ford Administration is probably "not capable" of mediating another diplomatic step in the Middle East before the elections.

Shortly after the Jackson meeting, Peres flew to New York before returning to Israel. He was in the U.S. this week meeting with Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, Under-Secretary Joseph Sisco and other Administration officials and congressmen. He also appeared on behalf of Israel Bonds in several cities.

Peres does not believe that there is any rush to begin diplomatic negotiations at this time, according to individuals who have spoken with him. The Defence Minister says that this is currently Israel's major difference with the U.S., which wants continued diplomatic movement.

Although Peres came away from his talks at the Pentagon Tuesday with a promise from Rumsfeld that he would attempt to speed up deliveries of equipment already contracted by Israel, but delayed, the Defence Minister is not believed to have received any specific assurances regarding the date of delivery of these items. Israel, for example, wants tanks, certain artillery and other military equipment already promised by Washington to be shipped, but the Administration says that "technical" problems are holding them up.

Nevertheless, sources close to Peres sought to leave the impression that the meetings at the Pentagon, during which Sisco also participated, were very important, and that vital decisions were reached.

Sisco met with Peres again Tuesday evening at the State Department to discuss political steps in the Middle East. They reviewed recent developments at the Security Council, the Israeli air strikes against Lebanon and other issues of bilateral concern, especially aid.

Informed sources here said that Sisco assured Peres that the U.S. would use its Security Council veto next month to block any changes in Resolutions 242 and 338. According to the sources here, Sisco said that Assistant Secretary Atherton is currently in the Middle East to clarify this U.S. position to the Arab states so there could be no misunderstanding next month.

According to a reliable source, Sisco told Peres that the U.S. was awaiting proposals from Israel and the Arab States on a suitable next step. This was taken by some observers here as a suggestion to

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Atherton sees Assad; meets Hussein today

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Syrian President Hafez Assad last night conferred with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton who had arrived in Damascus earlier in the day on the first leg of a Middle East tour. Mr. Atherton is due to leave Damascus this morning for Amman for talks with Jordan's King Hussein and Premier Zaid Rifai. He will also visit Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Israel.

After his arrival in Damascus the Assistant Secretary of Middle East and Asian Affairs met first with Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam in the presence of the U.S. Ambassador in Damascus, Richard Murphy.

No details were given on the exact nature of Mr. Atherton's mission. A terse Syrian statement in Damascus said that the American diplomat's talks in Syria touched on "current developments in the area in the light of recent UN Security Council resolutions on Middle East affairs."

Observers believe that Atherton sounded out Syrian intentions towards next month's debate on the Security Council Middle East debate. The decision to hold the debate has only the reluctant support of the U.S. The Security Council has issued a statement announcing that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has been invited to take part in debate, scheduled for June 12.

In a recent interview, Jordan's King Hussein said that the Arabs expected the Council debate to culminate with a defined formula for Israel's withdrawal to the pre-1967 war frontiers and the recognition of the right of the Palestinians to set up a homeland, presumably on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

While affirming Hussein's interpretation, the Syrians themselves have said they expect the Council to set the groundwork for an overall Middle East settlement in the presence of the PLO.

The Syrians have indicated that they might reconsider their attitude towards a proposed interim settlement with Israel within the framework of a formula for an overall settlement.

Mr. Atherton is expected in Jerusalem over the weekend to report on his tour of the Arab countries.

The Americans were reported yesterday to be urging Israel to reconsider its decision to boycott next month's Security Council in session.

Radio's right to air 'iased' views defended

usalem Post Knesset Reporter

cation Minister Aharon yesterday defended the casting Authority's right to nbalanced" political views. issue arose when Likud MK Landau asked for a floor on a radio interview with University Professor Shlomo In the interview, broadcast Saturday, Professor Avineri ted the idea of a "Palestinian and the right to establish e in the administered areas. Landau argued that as the sor does not represent a poli- party, his views should have counterbalanced by those of r scholar with an opposing

issue is more than the terri- question," he asserted. "Even el were a tiny state covering he environs of Tel Aviv, the inian question would still be The basic question is; shall this country be Israel or shall it be Palestine? Anyone demanding a mini-Palestine in Judea, Samaria or the Gaza Strip — next door to us — must realize that such a state would only be an Arafat state."

In his reply, Minister Yadlin admitted that "in such cases, I personally would have preferred to hear an opposing opinion broadcast with Professor Avineri's. However, I know the Broadcasting Authority always strives for balance, and it does so by giving equal time in subsequent broadcasts."

Mr. Landau's motion was passed to the Education Committee by a vote of 55 to 17.

Voting for referral to committee were the Likud, Tora Front, NRP, six members of the Labour Party, independent Binyamin Halevi and Hillel Zeidel of the ILP.

Voting against referral were Mapam, Rakah, Ya'ad, Moked, and six members of the Labour Party.

U.S. warships collide

GENOA, Italy. — The U.S. navy oiler Caloosahatchee arrived in this northern Italian port yesterday for repairs following a minor collision with another American warship.

Navy officials in Naples said the Caloosahatchee and the amphibious assault ship Inchon collided on Tuesday during refuelling manoeuvres.

UN group named on 'Palestinian rights'

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel has told Rumania of its "deep" disappointment at its agreeing to serve on the newly-formed special UN committee to oversee implementation of Palestinian "rights." The 20 members of the committee, announced yesterday, include 17 which have no diplomatic relations with Israel, and also Rumania, Turkey and Malta.

Israel has remonstrated with Rumania in recent days, urging it not to join the committee. Rumanian envoy Ion Covaci was summoned to the Foreign Ministry yesterday and told of Israel's displeasure at his government's decision to join the committee.

Israel has said it will not cooperate with the committee, which was charged by the General Assembly resolution of November 10 to work out a programme for attaining the "Palestinians' rights to self-determination as a nation" and "to return to property from which they were uprooted in four Middle East wars." The resolution calls for the committee to report by next June 10.

At the United Nations, Israeli Ambassador Haim Herzog charged that the Assembly's decision to establish the committee furthered an avowed intention of Syria, other Arab delegations and the Palestine Liberation Organization "to annul the present negotiating process prevailing in the Middle East and to destroy the existing agreements," AP reports.

The committee membership, negotiated privately, was approved by unanimous consent of the Assembly. The members are: Afghanistan, Cyprus, Cuba, East Germany, Guinea, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Laos, Madagascar, Malaysia, Malta, Pakistan, Rumania, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tunisia, Turkey, the Ukraine and Yugoslavia.

No confirmation on Hawkeye report

Jerusalem Post Staff

There was no confirmation last night of reports from Washington that the U.S. has agreed to sell Israel four of its sophisticated new Grumman E2C Hawkeye spy planes, to monitor Arab troop and armoured movements.

The twin turboprop plane, in production since 1971, can fly in all weathers at more than 10,000 metres and detect movement on the ground with its sophisticated radar. It was reported in Israel's afternoon papers yesterday that U.S. Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld agreed to supply the planes during a three-hour meeting on Tuesday with Defence Minister Shimon Peres. Two of the four planes would be supplied during the present fiscal year, the reports said.

The U.S. had also reportedly agreed to give "very careful study" to an Israel request for the right to assemble the new F16 interceptor at its own Israel Aircraft Industries. Israel has already ordered 25 of the more expensive F15 fighter-bombers.

South Africa admits troops are in battle zone

.S. moves to cut funds to Angola

HINGTON. — The U.S. e yesterday delayed action move to cut off funds for ctivities in Angola after a hour secret session in which or Senator refused to spe- ow much money was ear- d for the country.

Pretoria, the South African ment announced it is sending st commandos into the An- attle zone, and tacitly acknow- some forces are already de- deep inside the territory.

Senators seeking to block of the $112.3b. defence money id they expected to win the when debate resumed later day.

h of the three-hour session, by Senators who fear the could become involved in r Vietnam in the former ruese possession, was taken up angling over the insistence by Sen. John L. McClellan, chairman of the appropriations committee, that he could not disclose secret information about U.S. spending in Angola, even at a secret Senate session.

"There is a fundamental question as to whether the Senate as a whole is entitled to that information, said Sen. John V. Tunney, chief sponsor of the move to block Angola funds.

However, another Senator opposed to American action in Angola — he asked that his name be withheld — said that despite McClellan's refusal to give specific answers, "we have learned there is money in the bill intended for Angola."

The $33m. figure is based on a belief, from intelligence and other sources, that the Ford Administration has already spent $26m. in arms and cash with another $7m. on its way to a coalition of factions fighting for control of Angola against a third, Soviet-dominated group.

The Senator who asked not to be identified said all of the speeches at the morning session were by Senators opposing "what we're doing there."

After the morning meeting, U.S. Undersecretary of State Joseph Sisco said the U.S. would like to see a situation created where it would be possible for the three factions in Angola "to negotiate a political settlement without any outside interference."

A White House spokesman said yesterday there are no U.S. advisers in Angola and that President Ford does not plan to send military or non-military personnel there.

But deputy press secretary William Greener declined to tell exactly what the U.S. role is in Angola. "When something is said, it will be said by the President," he continued.

South African Defence Minister Pieter Botha said in a statement yesterday that reservist units, many of them trained commandos, would serve three months at a time instead of the usual three-week training period.

He also said some national servicemen were to have their one-year conscription extended by one month until next February.

"This is not a panic measure but is intended to increase effectiveness," Botha said.

At the same time, he confirmed the disappearance of a corporal and three privates of the regular army whom the Soviet-backed Angolan Popular Liberation Movement (MPLA) says it captured 700 km. inside Angolan territory. *(Reuter, AP)*

Alignment VAT plan

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Alignment policy on the Value Added Tax (VAT) was outlined yesterday by a special decision-making committee on economic issues. The committee proposed:

- A low VAT should be tried for one year, after which the effect of the tax should be re-examined.
- The price of basic commodities should remain constant. However, the committee did not stipulate how this would be achieved.
- The subject of subsidies should be thoroughly discussed and agreed upon by the Government and the Histadrut.
- The purchase tax should be abolished selectively, also after an agreement between the Government and the Histadrut.

The resolution was proposed by the Secretary-General of the Labour Party, Meir Zarmi, and the chairman of the Alignment economics committee, Aharon Becker. It was carried by a vote of 9 to 7. The Histadrut representatives requested that there be no VAT on 10 basic commodities.

Czech arms for Egypt

WASHINGTON. — During the past few weeks, Egypt and Syria have concluded two separate arms deals involving Soviet-made equipment, informed sources here revealed yesterday.

The Egyptian deal, including tanks, was made with Czechoslovakia and Poland, the sources said.

Call for outlawing of 'Racism' in the mass media

Unesco adopts anti-Zionist paper

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Israel suffered a setback at Unesco last night when member governments voted to include a reference to the U.N. General Assembly resolution equating Zionism and racism in an official document which outlaws racism in the mass media.

The new anti-Israel vote was carried with 36 governments in favour, 22 against and seven abstentions.

Israel took part in the debate at Unesco headquarters here for the first time since the world body barred her from its regional groupings and imposed sanctions on her in November 1974.

At issue was a draft declaration which was being prepared by government experts in readiness for the next general conference of Unesco, which will be held in Nairobi in October.

The declaration outlines what it describes as "fundamental principles governing the use of the mass media in strengthening peace and international understanding and in combating war propaganda, racism and apartheid."

After a joint move by Arab and Communist governments to include Zionism among the targets of the world press, radio and TV, Yugoslavia produced an amendment which was presented as a compromise.

Yugoslavia tried to avoid a direct reference to Zionism by urging that the declaration should recall all the UN General Assembly resolutions and "particularly resolution 3379 on the elimination of all forms of racialism and racial discrimination."

Resolution 3379 was the notorious text ranking Zionism and racism which was endorsed by the General Assembly last month. The Yugoslav resolution was the text which was put to a vote last night after three days of debate.

Last night's vote showed yet again that Israel cannot expect fair treatment in any international forum where the Arab and Communist governments can steamroller hostile resolutions in spite of condemnation by the U.S. and Common Market countries.

Before the vote the Israeli chief delegate, Mr. Avraham Primor, minister-counsellor at the embassy here, vigorously condemned this latest attack on Israel.

The Palestine Liberation Organization also took part in the debate during which its spokesman, Ibrahim Suss, accused Israel of stifling and truncating news favourable to the Palestinians.

Jerusalem officials last night pointed out that Mexico abstained in the vote, respecting an assurance to Israel that it would refrain in the future from voting in favour of anti-Zionist resolutions.

Arrests in Nablus

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NABLUS. — An undisclosed number of local residents were arrested here yesterday in an apparent bid to thwart attempts at inciting further anti-State riots in the town, the largest on the West Bank. Violent demonstrations broke out here last week in protest against the attempts by Gush Emunim members to set up settlements in nearby Sabastia.

The arrests yesterday were conducted at the height of a large-scale crackdown on subversive elements seeking to mount a disobedience campaign before next month's Middle East debate in the Security Council.

Schools which have just reopened after the Moslem four-day Id el-Adha festival closed down again at noon yesterday as students walked out of their classes against the background of reinforced security patrols in the city.

A third ship through Suez

PORT SAID, Egypt. — The third Israel-bound cargo ship to sail through the Suez Canal since the Sinai Settlement on September 1 moved down the waterway yesterday from Ashdod to Eilat.

Canal authorities said the ship, the 1,110-ton Octan Trader, registered in Panama but flying a Greek flag, would make a return trip through the Canal later this month after taking cargo to Singapore.

Ships carrying cargo to or from Israel sailed through the Canal on November 2 and 14.

Canal authorities also announced that 44 ships passed through the waterway yesterday, the largest number since its reopening on June 5.

An average of 60 ships a day moved through the Canal before the Canal closed in 1967. *(AP)*



The Premier in profile . . .

. . . . observed by David Landau and Malka Rabinowitz.

Nazareth turnabout: the new mayor-elect, Tawfik Zayyad, talks to Moshe Kohn.

Centre Court: Philip Gillon investigates the growing popularity of tennis in Israel.

Dead end street: Mike Goldberg aims pen and camera at what he regards as a blot on Jerusalem's town planning.

A hectic rush of film-making: Simson Carlebach interviews Menachem Golan, busiest bee of Israel's movie industry.

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THE WEATHER

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Weather synopsis: Upper trough from Turkey to E. Mediterranean moving East.

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Jerusalem	73	8—11	9—12
Golan	100	6— 9	7—11
Nahariya	68	9—18	9—18
Safad	98	6— 8	7—10
Haifa	77	11—18	11—18
Tiberias	96	10 —	10—20
Nazareth	95	6—12	8—14
Afula	62	8—17	5—19
Shomron	36	9—12	10—14
Tel Aviv	75	11—18	8—19
B-G Airport	77	8—17	5—18
Jericho	60	9—19	7—20
Gaza	62	11—19	10—30
Beersheba	56	8—17	5—18
Eilat	33	9—22	9—33
Tiran	35	14—22	12—23

Social and Personal

A seven-member delegation from the Federal Republic of Germany, headed by Johan Gradl, yesterday met in the Knesset with the chairman of the Finance Committee, Yisrael Kargman, and members of the Finance and Economics Committees.

The delegation had lunch with Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebenzahl, and West German Ambassador Per Fischer.

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The British Ambassador, Thomas A. Elliot, yesterday called on Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Ambassador Elliot also spoke with Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi and with Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner yesterday.

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The Swiss Ambassador, Jacques Bernard Reudi, yesterday called on Dr. Shimon Agranat, President of the Supreme Court.

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The Rotary Club of Tel Aviv-Jaffa meets at 1.15 p.m. today at ZOA House. Professor Uriel Dan of Tel Aviv University will lecture on "The Kurds After the Agreement Between Iraq and Iran."

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Dr. William Wexler, honorary world president of B'nai B'rith, will address the Rehovot Branch of A.A.C.I. on "Israel and World Jewry—Challenge to UN Resolution," Saturday, 8.30 p.m., in the City Hall conference room.

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Dr. Ze'ev Goldman will speak (in Hebrew) on "The Italian Trading Bases in Acre during the Crusader Period," at the Dante Alighieri Society, Haifa, 18 Rehov Herzliya, at 8.45 tonight.

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BIRTH

SAFADI. — To Katherine and Anan Safadi, a son, brother to Ricky, Eddy and Samir, in Jerusalem, December 17, 1975.

ARRIVALS

Arye Dulzin, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, from a week-long visit to the U.S. as guest of the United Jewish Appeal's annual convention.

Phillip Holmes of Victoria, British Columbia, president of FIABCI, the international federation of real estate brokers, to attend the annual conference of Maidan, Israel's real estate organization, which will open today at the Jerusalem Hilton (by British Airways).

DEPARTURES

Mark Mosevics, an owner of Elite and former president of the Manufacturers Association; and Dov Lautman, deputy chairman of the Export Institute, to London, for meetings on promotion of Israeli exports.

Ray Carlen, American industrialist, after a week's stay as guest of the Prime Minister, while he investigated American investment possibilities in Israel.

GOREN 'RESTING'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren is resting at an undisclosed place outside Tel Aviv and may return to work next week, an aide said yesterday.

A call from Rabbi Goren that he was ill caused the cancellation of an affirmation ceremony for 10 rabbinical court judges at Beit Hanassi on Tuesday. The nature of his illness was still not disclosed yesterday (he has been recovering from heart and kidney problems suffered a month ago). The Chief Rabbi's aide said he was forbidden by his doctor to work, read newspapers or answer the phone.

Histadrut meets on its own plan for economy

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Central Committee is meeting this morning to discuss its proposals for a policy on wages, subsidies and taxes for 1976, prior to meeting with Finance Minister Rabinowitz tomorrow.

The 22 members of the Central Committee will examine proposals by Yehoshua Voshcina and a group of economists. These recommend that the labour federation's top body decide itself on matters such as cost-of-living allowances, maximum and minimum wages, and the framework for social benefits, but leave wage agreements in each sector to be negotiated separately.

The memorandum — which covers 20 pages — argues that both profits and production have increased since wages were last fixed; workers should receive part of the profits.

To encourage workers to move into enterprises which produce for export, bonuses should be given not only to the exporters but also to their employees, the document says.

The Histadrut should back the transfer of (service) workers to production and help provide retraining courses, the document adds.

Another recommendation is that negotiations for new wage agreements in the service sector be postponed until after agreements are concluded in the production sector.

The memorandum advocates investments in big enterprises in which it would be profitable to have night-shifts. It was noted here yesterday that industrial equipment in Israel is being utilized at only about half its capacity (for small enterprises the cost of having the necessary number of service personnel at night to make the night-shifts feasible would be prohibitive, the planners add).

'Drastic' steps promised if wages frozen in services

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The district committee of the Civil Servants Union, representing some 12,000 workers here, yesterday passed a resolution promising "drastic action" if the Government makes one-sided decisions — such as a wage freeze in the civil service — without first negotiating with them. Seventy-two delegates representing all Government offices attended the committee meeting.

The committee also objected to discharging civil servants. "During the last year 450 new ones were employed by Government offices, and firing some would affect the quality of service to the public at a time when services are being expanded," a union spokesman was quoted as saying.

The committee had further complaints. It promised to "oppose with vigour" the abolition of summer hours if carried out without negotiations. The trend "to create conflict between production workers and those employed in the services" also was censured.

The committee called for improvements in gradings and paying a premium to those retiring officials who had not claimed sick pay during their service.

The Haifa Labour Council will submit the committee's demands to the Civil Service Commission and the Government offices when new labour agreements are negotiated. Council secretary Avraham Hameiri also opposed the proposal that labour agreements should be renewed in one labour sector and be frozen in another.

Cease-fire between teachers and computer

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The war between the Histadrut Teachers Union and the Ministry of Education's computer appears to be over — providing the computer gives rise to no more foul-ups.

Strained relations between the ministry and the teachers for the past two years have been blamed on the computer. Ever since it was put into use, in the autumn of 1973, the teachers have received incorrect payments. After several warning strikes, the ministry at the beginning of the current school year finally managed to pay up its debts for the 1974/75 school year.

But there were so many inaccuracies in these payments that the teachers threatened to take the ministry to court. Now the two sides have agreed that all the back pay, including that for the 1973/74 school year, will reach the teachers by March. The teachers are hoping there will be no more computer errors.

The teachers have now dropped their legal suit against the ministry, waiting to see how the new agreement will be implemented. In the past the ministry failed to meet several deadlines. But even the teachers agree that the computer's performance is now much improved.

The ministry estimates that some 10,000 teachers in the country have back pay due them. The teachers for their part have undertaken to see that those overpaid because of computer errors would return the extra funds to the ministry.

No arbitration in 'mutiny'

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Claiming that the law is being flouted, "and the Government agency charged with enforcing the law is doing nothing about it," Adam Chisik, secretary of the Marine Officers Union, yesterday remained firm in his refusal to arbitrate the conflict between the captain and five crewmen of the tanker Niuta.

"We're not accepting the idea of arbitration (as proposed by Moshe Levy, secretary of the Seamen's Union deckhands section, and accepted by Capt. Nimrod Eshel, head of the Transport Ministry's maritime division), because there can be no arbitration of the law," Chisik declared.

Chisik regards the refusal of the crewmen to obey orders as "mutinous conduct," whereas Levy considers the matter a labour dispute.

The captain has dismissed the crewmen, who refuse to leave the ship belonging to the Tanker Services Company. The tanker has been held up at Baton Rouge for about a week as a result. The company wants to remove the crewmen, by force if necessary; and the crewmen have been instructed by Levy to resist, also by force.

Chisik said a delegate from the union will meet Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi today in an attempt to get the law enforced.

Regarding reports that the transport division of the ministry had ordered three unruly crewmen and the captain off the freighter Yaffo, Chisik said that his union was unaware of any ruling by a disciplinary court in the case.

Electric Corporation launching energy-conservation campaign

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Israel Electric Corporation has launched an energy conservation programme aiming to save millions of pounds and dollars by advising consumers, large and small, on how to save electricity and to make the most of what they use.

"Though it runs counter to the company's commercial interest in selling more," general manager Ariel Amiad told the press this week, "we want to curb consumption in step with the Government's economic policy. The days of cheap energy are gone. Even the price of electricity from nuclear power stations, which is cheapest, is going up because the cost of building them is rising."

The price of electricity from the IEC thermal power stations is linked to that of oil, which is expected to go up by 10 per cent a year as a result of inflation. But the company will try to avoid a price increase next year by covering an estimated IL25m. deficit through more efficient operation. Here are some of the corporation's economy steps:

- Recent surveys in some industries and kibbutzim on using more night current will soon be published. The IEC will start a consulting service on how to apply the energy conservation lessons learned.
- Incentive tariffs are offered to loan-shifting consumers.
- Better use of electric power can be achieved by adjusting machines and tools, and a circular is to be sent to industrial consumers.
- Most electric refrigerators and other household equipment waste electricity because of inefficient cables, and the Commerce and Industry Ministry will insist on new standards.
- Energy is lost on a large scale in poorly insulated housing, water heaters and pipes. The company will offer advice on stopping the heat leaks as far as possible.
- "Construction concepts will have to change as far as thermal insulation is concerned," Amid said, suggesting that industrial parks around power stations could use the steam they generate.
- The IEC is studying ways of combining sun heaters with electric heating.
- Company staff is being trained to bring home to the public energy conservation methods — in print and by phone.
- Another way of saving is using more local labour, products and materials, such as insulators and transformers.

These measures are expected to save the country about IL35m. a year, IL20m. of it on fuel; the IEC will lose about IL16m. in revenue, Amiad said.

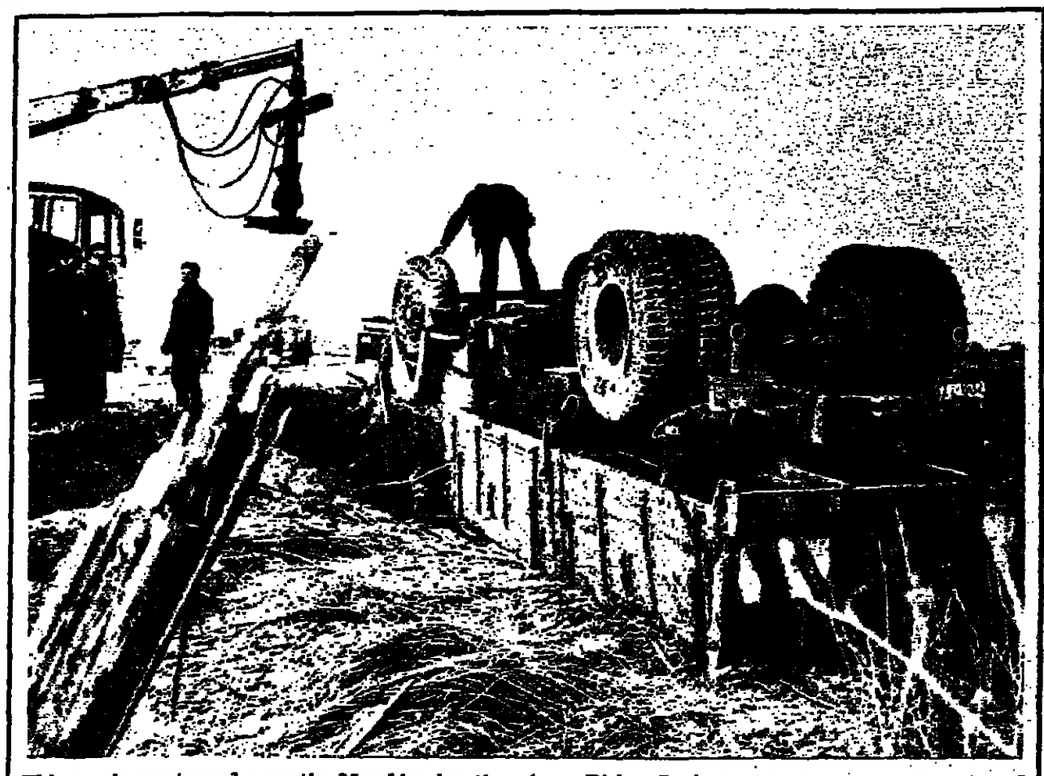
Asked how much energy conserving is being done by the company staff which still gets unlimited electricity free, he said this type of consumption had dropped by nearly 10 per cent. A disciplinary committe had discovered two cases of commercial abuse of this privilege, and the offenders are being prosecuted.

It was not easy, Amiad said, to persuade the staff to part with what they had come to regard since founder Rutenberg's days as part of their working conditions. "Amiad will not take away what Rutenberg granted," he quoted the staff as arguing.

Asked why the IEC had not long ago insisted on better thermal insulating and efficiency standards in housing and electrical appliances, he said that when energy was cheap nobody had cared about the waste.

As part of the IEC overall scheme, a small hydro-electric project is planned on the northern Jordan, near the Bnot Ya'acov bridge, designed to generate 570,000 to 1,000,000 kw.

An average saving of three grams of fuel per kilowatt (244 grams instead of 247) means IL6m. saved on fuel at current price. Noting this Amiad said production units are preferentially operated. (The Eshkol station burns half the fuel of Haifa A to generate one kilowatt.)



This truck overturned near the Mesubim junction (near Rishon Lezion) yesterday — toppling several telephone poles — after skidding on the wet road. The driver, who was unhurt, was picked up by police for questioning. Yesterday's rain also flooded the bridges over Nahal Be'eri in the Western Negev. (Israel Sun)

High praise for development of Jerusalem by int'l advisers

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Virtually unanimous praise for the way Jerusalem is developing was expressed yesterday by members of the Jerusalem Committee.

Following a day-long tour of the city, committee members lavished praise on the green belt being developed around the Old City, on the way modern Jerusalem is being developed without infringing on ancient Jerusalem, on the way the past is being revealed by the ambitious archaeological excavations around the Old City, and on the way erstwhile slums like the "Katamonim" are being upgraded.

The praise was in marked contrast with the sharp criticism levelled at Jerusalem's planning at committee meetings in previous years. There were, however, questions raised about the absence of a chief planner in the city and the apparent absence of a long-term plan. While these questions were voided in moderate tones yesterday, they had been raised much more vigorously, it is learned, at an informal meeting the night before, among several planners on the committee and Meron Benvenisti, deputy mayor in charge of planning.

Architect Harry Mayerovitch of Montreal told yesterday's meeting that the view of the green belt taking shape around the Old City had almost brought tears to his eyes. "It's a pleasure to see the grandeur and poetry of this element in the city."

Architect Lawrence Halprin of San Francisco said he had been "tremendously moved" by the sight of the green belt which was being developed "with sensitivity and dignity." "It's as beautiful as any in the world." Halprin also praised the "small-grain" — as opposed to the large-scale urban renewal approach — he had witnessed in the "Katamonim," such as creation of pocket parks.

The need for a forceful information programme to enlighten the world — and particularly Catholic countries — about what is being done in Jerusalem was urged by a former Dominican diplomat, Enrique de Marchena. Except for a few words in the media and Arab propaganda, he said, "we know virtually nothing." It was important to explain, he said, how the modern city was being developed "without touching the treasures so precious to three faiths."

The only direct challenge to the city authorities during the discussion came from Prof. Bruno Zevi of Rome, who was the most outspoken critic in all previous Jerusalem Committee meetings. While expressing pleasure at the development of the city he had witnessed, he said he was confused by the apparent absence of a long-range plan and worried about the absence of a chief planner since the departure of Prof. Nathaniel Lichfield from that post two years ago. Referring to the city's planning staff, he asked, "how can an orchestra with 100 musicians produce good music without a director?"

Deputy Mayor Benvenisti said that while planning in the city was focused on the next 10 years, it was guided by long-term concepts.

As for the post of chief planner, he said the city has so far been unable to attract a man capable of filling that post. "It is very, very difficult to find a professional to deal with the problems of Jerusalem, because it is the politician who is planning Jerusalem and not the planner."

The committee will continue its discussions today.

Safdie to plan Senegal city

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli-Canadian architect Moshe Safdie has been commissioned to plan a new city for Senegal, which two years ago broke off relations with Israel.

The city, which is to be the second largest in Senegal, will lie on a coastal site 100 miles north of Dakar. It will be part of an area development project including a new port, phosphate mines and a refinery which will be jointly financed by Senegal and Iran.

Safdie, who has submitted planning proposals for the Western Wall plaza and the Mamilla district in Jerusalem, left Israel yesterday for a brief visit to Senegal. Although his Israeli identity is well known to the Senegalese authorities, he told *The Jerusalem Post* before departure that he was travelling on his Canadian passport to avoid complications with visa requirements.

Safdie was commissioned three months ago by the Sengalese government to plan a city whose initial population would be 50,000 and whose eventual population would reach 200,000. He is also to design the principal public buildings.

Suspects held in gang rapes of teenage girls

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — A 17-year-old girl was brutally raped by eight men here yesterday. Six suspects have been arrested.

The girl, a Haifa resident, told police that she had arrived on a visit and while wandering around the Central Bus Station she was approached by a young man who invited her back to his flat on Rehov Neveh Sha'anan, near the bus station. There she found seven other men.

Threatening to disfigure her with a broken bottle, they raped her, she said. According to the police spokesman, one of the six suspects arrested has already admitted his part in the crime.

In Beersheba Magistrates Court yesterday, five suspects in a rape committed on Saturday were remanded into a further 10 days' custody.

The five youths from Yeruham, aged 18 to 23, are suspected of raping a 17-year-old girl they allegedly locked in an apartment in Yeruham. The girl claims the five forced her to engage in prostitution for a day. When she escaped, at night, she reportedly tried to commit suicide by slitting her wrists, but she was discovered by a member of the Civil Guard, who had her taken to Soroka Hospital.

The five youths claim the girl consented to have sexual relations with them. They denied keeping her in the room by force or bringing her "clients."

In another rape case, a resident of Ganei Tikva in Tel Aviv was sentenced to three years in prison for raping a Herzliya girl, and his friend received a one-year sentence for assisting him.

Rafi (Ben Zecharia) Levi, 22, Avraham Haim, 24, and two other youths in a car offered a girl a ride as she left a club in Petah Tikva on the night of October 12. They took her to an empty shed in Ganei Tikva, where Levi raped her, with Haim's help.

The girl tried to withdraw her testimony in court, but the judges ruled that there was sufficient evidence for conviction even without her statement.

The two other youths in the car, who testified that they did not know that was happening in the shed, were acquitted.

U.S. student, 17, missing from school

SDE BOKER. — Police throughout the country have begun searching for a 17-year-old pupil who disappeared from the secondary school here six days ago, after a personal quarrel with other students. The boy, Yosef Bernstein, an American, reportedly went to Eilat but has not been heard from since.

Bernstein is described as red headed and 1.75 metres tall. *(Itim)*

U.S. awaits proposals

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Israel that either Foreign Minister Allon, who comes to Washington early next month, or Prime Minister Rabin, who visits here at the end of next month, should bring such ideas.

Yesterday morning Peres also met separately with Sen. Frank Church (D-Idaho). On Tuesday he held meetings with the Senate Armed Services Committee and with the House leadership.

Allon is expected to meet with the important Senate Foreign Relations Committee next month, and Rabin will address a joint session of the Congress, as did Sadat during his recent visit here.

Meanwhile, the Americans are said to be still urging Israel to purchase nine prototypes of the F-15 air-superiority fighter taken from existing U.S. military inventories, but Israel is undecided. According to American sources, Israel wants to acquire a total of 25 F-15s over the next two years at a reported cost of $600m.

The Americans have been offering nine prototype models, which are slightly different from the new ones that will come off the production line, at a reduced cost and at an earlier delivery date. However, Israel is not certain about the quality of these nine models, and may wait the extra period in order to get the new fighters.

According to the Americans, the only other major difference between the prototypes and the new models is in the field of maintenance.

Although Israel is said to have an agreement in principle with the U.S. on the supply of the less expensive F-16 fighter planes, Rumsfeld is not believed to have provided Peres with any specific "letter of offer" for these planes.

Israel is also awaiting a U.S. decision on the dates of delivery of Cobra gunship helicopters, already ordered, U.S. sources said.

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Military plant for Kiryat Shmona

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev announced yesterday that the Military Industries (Ta'as) will immediately set up a large metals plant in this border town with jobs for 250 skilled men in the first stage.

Ta'as itself will pay for the infrastructure and buildings and will train and pay 50 young men in plants in the South so that the plant can start producing as soon as it is up.

Bar-Lev, who was speaking to the local labour council, also said the Gibor textile plant here would expand and take on more workers. He added: "I don't want to mislead you. The economic situation is not going to improve for another two years; there is a crisis in the whole world, and our defence spending is getting heavier." But development areas would get top priority and would hardly be affected by the 30 per cent cut in his ministry's budget, he said.

During the day Bar-Lev visited the Golan Druse village of Majdal Shams where he expressed the Government's condolences to the family of the local resident killed recently by Kiryat Shmona toughs. The minister was the guest of Sheikh Sulleiman Kanj, who was also host yesterday to the notables of the Golan villages, the Golan military governor and the Kiryat Shmona Labour Council.

T.A. hoopsters play Rotterdam

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi tonight meets Transol of Rotterdam in the second leg of the European Basketball Champions Cup quarter-finals, having trailed by only one point (86-87) in the first game in Holland a week ago. The match takes place at the Yad Eliyahu Sports Palace at 8.30 p.m.

The hosts, who have an impressive record over the years in European basketball, are strongly favoured to win this return fixture by a decisive margin.

The game will be broadcast live by Israel Television, as a result of a High Court hearing yesterday.

The court refused to cancel an earlier injunction barring the TV from implementing a decision not to televise Tel Aviv Maccabi's games. TV House objects to the advertising on the backs of the players' shirts. The team won the injunction, which will remain in effect until a full hearing of the case.

'Navigational error' caused Sinai crash

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The committee set up by the Air Force to investigate the crash of a Hercules transport plane in Sinai on November 25 has completed its inquiry and submitted its findings to the O.C. Air Force, Aluf Binyamin Peled. Twenty men, including the crew and a number of soldiers, were killed when the aircraft hit the peak of Jebel Halal, 60 kms. southeast of El-Arish, while on a training flight.

The findings of the committee were not released for publication, but it was reported that the crash was the result of a navigational error and not a technical failure.

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the unveiling of the tombstone will take place today, Thursday, December 18, 1975 at 4.00 p.m., at the new cemetery, Kfar Samir, Haifa. (We shall meet at the lower entrance of the cemetery.)

We wish to thank all who expressed sympathy in writing or in person.

In the name of the family,
SIEGBERT DALLMANN

YA'ACOBI TELLS KNESSET:

Rishon construction ignores official warning on noise

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Residential construction in Rishon Lezion — right below a noisy jet-flight path to Ben-Gurion International Airport — is continuing despite recommendations of an interministerial committee that the area remain clear of buildings.

This was confirmed in the Knesset yesterday by Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi, in reply to a motion for the agenda on the subject by MK Pinhas Sheinman of the National Religious Party.

"Israel is a geopolitical island," said Ya'acobi. "We are bounded by enemy states on the north, east and south. On the west we have the sea. Our state is long and narrow, and Ben-Gurion Airport lies beyond the heavily populated coastal strip.

"Therefore, there is no way of avoiding inconvenience to people living in that strip, with some 20,000 landings and take-offs a year. The aircraft must cross the dense sectors twice — entering and leaving."

Ya'acobi recalled that the flight path, originally passing over Holon, was shifted to the Rishon Lezion dune area last September. "We did that because Holon now has a population of 110,000 living within an area of 19 square kilometres. The jet aircraft posed a serious nuisance there.

"That move was taken on the unanimous recommendation of an interministerial committee established to tackle the noise problem. The committee also recommended that the Rishon area beneath the route be left undeveloped. I regret to say that this recommendation is being disregarded."

Ya'acobi said moving the flight path from Rishon Lezion would mean inconveniencing even more people than at present.

Food hoarding on Knesset agenda

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Reports of large-scale hoarding of basic food commodities by housewives is the subject of an urgent motion for the Knesset agenda put forward yesterday by MK Jacques Amir of the Alignment.

In a letter to the Speaker, Amir writes: "The most recent economic steps by the Government and the passing of the 1976/77 budget have led to a buying panic. Fearing a cut in the subsidy programme, thousands of families have begun to hoard basic food items. Speculators are already active, hoping to cash in later by selling these foods at higher prices."

Nursery school fees may rise — Yadlin

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Nursery school fees for three and four year olds and the price of school meals may go up as a result of cuts in the Education Ministry budget.

This was stated by Education Minister Aharon Yadlin in the Knesset Education Committee yesterday.

He said he would consult with committee members to help him examine the order of priorities in which educational services would be following the cuts in the ministry's budget.

Hammer wants changes in Welfare Ministry

By ERNIE MEYER

The new Welfare Minister, Zevulun Hammer, yesterday proposed a reorganization of welfare services, creating professional social work from the more mechanical process of providing income support payments. He also wants to concentrate all social services, scattered at present among several ministries and agencies, under the roof of an enlarged Ministry of Social Betterment based on the present Welfare Ministry.

Mr. Hammer was speaking in his office at a meeting with 10 experts in social work and public administration, whom he had invited as consultants. He is planning further meetings with these experts.

Under the new setup, the Welfare — or Social Betterment — Ministry would handle all work connected with disadvantaged youth, for instance. Today such services are also supplied by the Labour and Education Ministries, and by others. Similarly, all aspects of community work would be handled by the Welfare Ministry. Today the Immigration and Absorption Ministry, Amidar, Amigur and the Histadrut all share in such work.

Day care of the aged and day-care centres for young children are split up among various agencies. The Ministry of Housing, for instance, is handling some aspects of the rehabilitation of the aged.

Mr. Hammer would also like to see the Welfare office supervising volunteer work and the Demographic Centre transferred from the Prime Minister's Office to his ministry.

Payments of income support, which do not require the judgment of a professional social worker, would be handled by the National Insurance Institute, he suggested.

Mr. Hammer supports the Cabinet's decision to cut universal subsidies, but wants the poor to be promptly compensated for the resulting price rises in basic foodstuffs and transportation.

At a meeting with Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz Tuesday evening, Hammer was promised that his request to increase the welfare budget over the allocated IL650m. would receive favourable consideration, he said.

IAI: we could replace some defence imports

Israel Aircraft Industries board chairman Michael Piron complained Tuesday that the country is importing sophisticated items which IAI could make itself, at the highest quality and a lower price. He was speaking with members of the Knesset Economics Committee, which was touring IAI installations with its chairman, Yigal Horowitz.

The committee reported that Piron had told them IAI had $250m. worth of orders for its Gabriel missile, and was looking at possibilities of exporting the new Kfir military jet. Total IAI exports this year, he added, would be $50m., and $100m. was hoped for next year.

However, the firm was finding it hard to finance its export production, and had to pay high interest on its working capital. He called for massive investment in IAI.

In answer to a question, Piron denied there was a high degree of "concealed unemployment" at IAI. There was some, but it was handled by transferring idle workers to other departments.

At the end of their tour the members visited the Kfir plant, and were told by IAI officials that the plane can stand up to any other warplane now in the Middle East, including the Mig-23.



President Katzir congratulates newly appointed Kadi Hassan Hassoun Assadi of Kafr Yassif yesterday, during the swearing-in ceremony for three new judges of the country's Sharia (Moslem religious) courts. Kadi Assadi, a Hebrew University law graduate, will serve on the Western Galilee bench. Sworn in with him were Kadi Farid Wajdi Tabari of Haifa, an attorney trained at Beirut's American University and the University of Chicago, and Kadi Yusef Dassuki of Taiba, up to now secretary of the Sharia court. (Barzilay)

B'sheba tent dwellers mob Housing Ministry official

By HAIM SHAHAM
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The 30 young couples who pitched a tent city in the municipal plaza four days ago yesterday prevented the Director-General of the Housing Ministry from leaving the municipality after talks with representatives of services and with Mayor Eliyahu Navi.

The women among the demonstrators, some in advanced stages of pregnancy, had decided that the Director-General, David Weinshall, should not leave the plaza before taking a "tour" of their tent homes. The demonstrators surrounded him with a human wall, shouting complaints and insults, until he acceded to their demand.

During the two-hour meeting, representatives of the couples discussed the problems of buying apartments — high mortgages, overcrowding, and difficult terms for paying off loans. Weinshall promised to examine each of the cases separately, but offered no concrete solution.

Navi, who acted as mediator at the meeting, rejected a proposal by the director-general to move the couples to nearby development towns. Navi thought instead that the Government should subsidize flats as it subsidizes basic foodstuffs.

Last night the couples decided to appeal again to the Housing Ministry for easier purchase terms. Meanwhile, they plan no change of address.

Parking will no longer be free in Tel Aviv 'used-car lot'

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Parking in the lot outside the Mann Auditorium will soon cease being free, to prevent it from being a giant used-car lot.

In proposing the change, Deputy Mayor David Shifman, who is in charge of the transportation portfolio, argued that the lot, which normally has space for 328 vehicles, is used for more than ordinary parking. He said that enterprising used-car salesmen park the automobiles which are for sale in the lot and sit in the cafes across the street, where they conduct business without any overhead.

He also said that employees in the office buildings surrounding the area leave their vehicles in the lot for the whole day, making it impossible for other drivers to find parking space for a short time. At night, residents of the neighbouring apartment buildings take over the lot, and the audiences of the Mann Auditorium and Habimah are without parking space, he said.

The City Executive has adopted a motion calling for pay parking in the lot. However, the hours have not yet been set. Pay parking is expected to go into effect in about a month.

Criticism by officers appears in classified army booklet

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The commander of an army corps attempted to prevent the publication of an article written by one of his officers in a new IDF publication devoted to criticism of the army. But, despite the opposition, the article will appear soon in the second issue of "Hirhurim V'Iyurim," put out by the army as a vehicle for officers to voice their criticism.

This is reported in the current issue of "Bamahaneh," the Army's weekly magazine. The new publication, which is classified and made available only to IDF officers, is issued by the Training Department of the General Staff and Ma'arachot, the Defence Ministry publishing house.

The publication is classified so as to free contributors from concern for field security and to enable them to express themselves freely, Aluf Menahem Maron, outgoing head of the Training Department, told "Bamahaneh." Any commander in the IDF is free to write, as long as he signs his articles and accepts responsibility for what he writes.

The aim of the publication is to encourage fresh approaches to various problems and "cross fertilization" between officers in various arenas and doing different missions, Maron said.

VISITORS GALLERY: MEHRI DOLATSHAHI

Women's year was 'a good start'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

As International Women's Year wanes with the last leaf of the 1975 calendar, the Iranian president of the 88-year-old International Council of Women gives her appraisal of its impact:

"It was a good start. At least governments got together and agreed on principles. But maybe it's just a bit too early to expect too much from women in the international arena, because they must follow the dictates of their governments — which are run by men. As they get more active," hints Mehri Dolatshahi, "I'm sure things will change quicker."

The ICW president, stopping off in Israel on a tour of nations that are members of her organization, was guest of honour yesterday at a tea in the home of Pnina Herzog, head of the Israel Council of Women's Organizations. "I think that at the family, societal and national levels, there have been some achievements," said Mrs. Herzog in her own evaluation of Women's Year. "But on the international level, unfortunately, some countries have preferred to grind their own political axes and introduce obscene political resolutions." As a token of Dr. Dolatshahi's "activities on behalf of women everywhere," Mrs. Herzog presented her with a medallion inscribed (in English) with the words: "Love thy neighbour as thyself."

The president of the ICW, a former member of the Iranian Parliament, a long-time representative of her country at social welfare and women's conferences, and holder of a Ph.D. in the social sciences, preferred to avoid political statements. But asked by *The Jerusalem Post* about the latest events at the UN, she said, "the UN doesn't seem to be in a good state of health. It passes through many stages — sometimes weak and trembling, and sometimes strong." But she insisted that the international forum must continue to exist. "Can you imagine how it would be without this place for nations to sit down and talk and reach some understanding?"

Women in Israel, the Iranian women's leader noted, are very progressive. "In general, the older countries that gave women the vote early are slower in bringing about other rights, such as equal pay for equal work." She cited African countries, Israel and Iran (where the Shah "is very favourable to women's rights and whose wife is very influential on the issue") as moving more quickly toward equality between the sexes.



Polygamy is disappearing in Iran, she noted; a man can now take a second wife only if given permission by a court and then only on limited grounds. Iranian women find the battle easier if they manage to obtain a good education and a profession, she said, "because then men respect them more."

The ICW, with more countries as members (68) than any other women's organization, and representing some 50 million women, has 12 standing committees on health, education, mother-and-child care, migration and other topics. In between its triennial convention, each committee head formulates programmes approved by the plenum and advises the member organizations of what they should do to further women's rights.

Dr. Dolatshahi hopes to run for a second three-year term at the next convention in Vancouver next June. Israel, which hasn't had much luck in other international organizations, is submitting three of its own candidates — Tamar Eshel, Pnina Herzog and Aliza Ben-Artzi — for other posts.

"We are proud of the fact that we welcome women of all races, creeds and colours without discrimination," asserts the ICW president. "We have Israeli and Arab women sitting together on our board."

Anti-UN resolution planned for int'l women's seminar

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A resolution repudiating the anti-Israel decisions of the UN International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City will be brought before an international seminar of women trade unionists, meeting now in Tel Aviv.

Anne Nelson of Cornell University, one of 33 participants in the seminar, announced her intention to introduce this resolution yesterday.

The seminar, sponsored jointly by the Histadrut's International Institute for Cooperation, Development and Labour Studies and by Mo'etzet Hapo'alot/Pioneer Women, is being attended by representatives of 15 countries and will adjourn on Sunday.

"The women's conference in Mexico supposedly proved that women from developed and under-developed countries couldn't work together," said Akiva Eger, director of the Histadrut institute. "We have just disproved that. I wish the UN were as much a family of nations as we have been during this seminar."

Ollye Chin-a-Sen, director of manpower development in Surinam, said she welcomed the experience to learn from more-experienced countries. "I think the women of Surinam aren't sufficiently aware of the important role they have to play in the economic and political development of our country."

But "so-called developed countries" may not be a very good example for countries like Surinam, suggested Dr. Nelson. "Ollye came here in the hope of learning from us, but the truth is that, proportionately, women in Surinam and women in the U.S. are roughly in the same position ...

"One of the important things which this seminar gave me was the chance to see the spirit of Israel, and I learned that Israel will win out over all odds. One night, the adviser to the Defence Minister spoke to us in somber tones about the political and military situation; the next night we met a wonderfully creative, exuberant group of dancers. That combination really excited me ...

"As for the resolution I want to propose, repudiating those passed in Mexico, I think it is shameful that the UN could pass such resolutions — but even more shameful when it is done by women."

Justice Cohn on traffic offenders:

'Only one punishment: Take them off the road'

SUPREME COURT Justice Haim Cohn has come out against sending drivers convicted of serious traffic offences to prison — saying they should instead be barred from driving for life.

The judge voiced this opinion in a recent hearing of the appeal of Ibrahim Khoury, 53, of Beit Hanina, who ran over and fatally injured a boy on the Jerusalem-Ramallah road over two years ago.

Khoury was acquitted of manslaughter in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court and was convicted only of speeding. He was fined IL500 and had his licence suspended for one month.

Appealing to the District Court, the prosecution obtained a manslaughter conviction, a three-month jail sentence, a IL2,000 fine and a two-year suspension of Khoury's licence.

This time Khoury appealed to the Supreme Court, which dismissed the appeal, holding that he had displayed "clear negligence."

But Justice Cohn had his own opinion on the deterrent value of prison sentences in such cases.

"Jail sentences — especially short ones — generally have no deterrent value whatsoever," he said, "and do not achieve any reasonable punitive purpose. There is only one suitable punishment for traffic offenders — take them off the roads."

In Justice Cohn's view the District Court had gone easy on the accused by suspending his licence for only two years. "But since my two colleagues in this hearing (Justices Berenson and Beisky) think otherwise, I shall not dissent."

Ramat Gan trash haulers rapped for work hours

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT GAN. — The sanitation department here has been criticized by the municipal controller for working less than three hours a day, with the trash and garbage collection vehicles only used to 50 per cent of capacity.

Israel Peled, Mayor of Ramat Gan, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the situation resulted from work agreements which bound Ramat Gan to the same productivity levels as Tel Aviv.

According to Dr. Peled, Ramat Gan garbage collectors, like those in Tel Aviv and around the country, work on a contractual basis — 600-700 trash cans to be collected per day. Even if the work day was extended to eight hours, the men would only collect 600-700 trash cans, he said.

Dr. Peled did not think that the cleanliness of Ramat Gan suffered from this system. However, he asserted that if the workers increased their productivity to 900-1,000 trash cans a day, the city could save money on manpower.

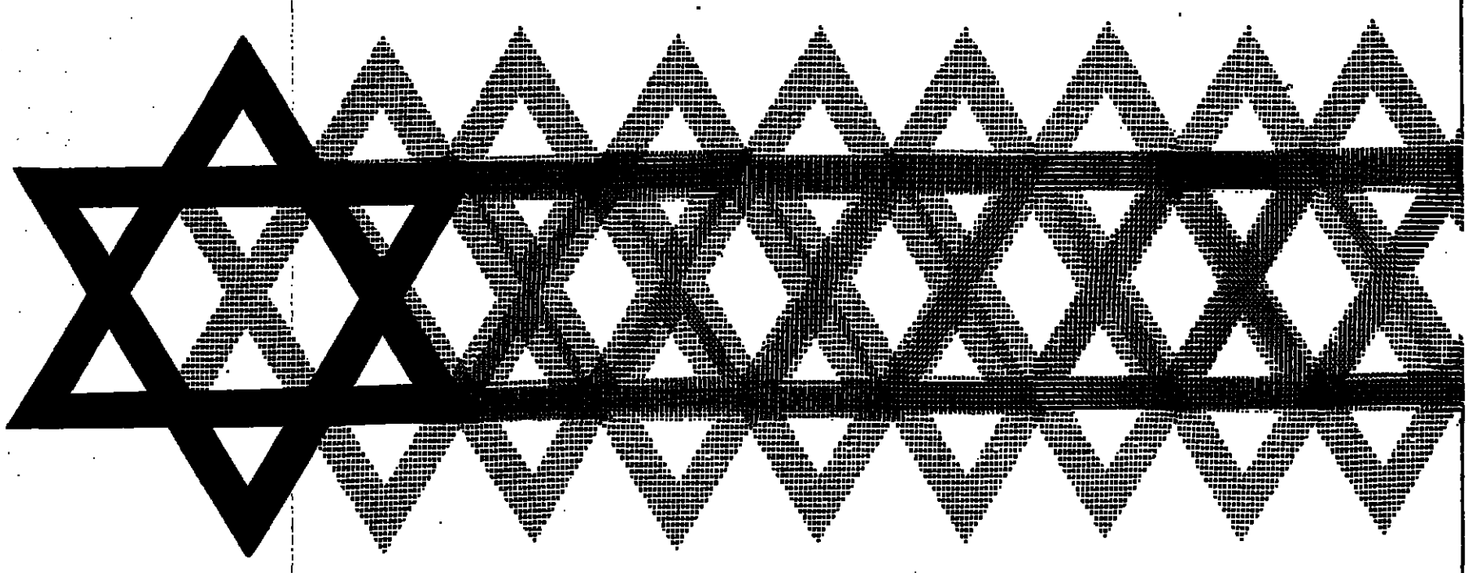
Zim to hoist Israel flag on 2 more ships

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Zim shipping company will hoist the Israel flag on two more freighters which have been serving the company under foreign flags, and will put Israeli crews on them, Zim's spokesman announced yesterday.

The two ships will be renamed Caesarea and Kinneret. They have a deadweight of 2,600 and 4,500 tons, respectively.

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Leftist MPs attack Wilson's plan to rescue Chrysler

LONDON. — The Labour government served notice on its rebellious left-wing M.P.s yesterday that they must vote the money for an £162.5m. rescue package for the ailing British Chrysler company or risk seeing the whole deal called off.

Political informants said chief government whip Robert Mellish took this tough action in a bid to quell a rank-and-file labour party rebellion against the programme.

Mellish was said to have warned that collapse of the plan would mean all 25,000 workers now employed by Chrysler's money-losing British subsidiary would be thrown out of jobs.

Under the rescue package announced on Tuesday, about 8,000 would be fired, including 3,000 from the Linwood plant near Glasgow, but the remainder would be kept on.

The package called for the government to pump £162.5m. — partly in grants and partly in loans — into the British Chrysler company to save it from threatened collapse.

The House of Commons voted late on Tuesday by 285 to 260 — an unexpectedly large majority of 25 — in approval of the general principle of the rescue plan.

But it had to vote again late last night — this time to provide the money for the deal.

The rescue plan touched off angry attacks not only from the Conservative opposition but also from Labour party rank-and-file Members of Parliament and from the trade unions.

Many labour party lawmakers threatened to abstain in the vote in order to register their anger.

Some argued the deal made nonsense of declared labour government policy not to shore up "lame duck" firms.

Others objected to handing out money to a foreign company.

Still others objected that the government was handing out cash to Chrysler without taking control of the corporation's ailing British subsidiary.

The general council of the 10 million member Trades Union Congress accused Chrysler of 'antisocial behaviour" for threatening to fire thousands of workers if it did not get the money.

But it said: "The deal is probably the best the government could get in the circumstances."

Union representatives at Chrysler's Linwood plant said they would call on its 6,500 workers to reject the plan to fire 3,000 there.

Ron Rigby, a senior union official, said the Linwood workers might occupy the plant as a protest measure.

In Parliament, Chancellor of the Exchequer Denis Healey announced measures designed to help reduce Britain's jobless total, now more than 1,125,000 and highest since the end of World War II.

These included restrictions on textile imports from some low cost sources, particularly Spain and Portugal and Eastern Europe.

Healey said special "surveillance licences" also would be placed on imported television sets. *(UPI)*



SOLDIERS of the Soviet-backed MPLA movement view arms and ammunition captured from FNLA forces, during recent fighting near Caxito, 50 kms. north of Luanda, Angola. Some of the 106mm. ammunition, used for guns mounted on armoured cars, was captured in crates bearing the handclasp sign of the U.S. supplier. MPLA sources said that the arms and ammunition was supplied to the FNLA through Zaire by the U.S. Government. The U.S. Congress is now trying to end U.S. intervention in Angola, and halt the use of funds to support FNLA and UNITA factions. (AP radiophoto)

Oil producing states reject blame for world recession

PARIS. — In a direct reply to U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, the oil-producing nations denied yesterday that high oil prices caused the world recession and said all raw material prices should be linked to an inflation index.

"It is injust to turn notorious non-truths into truths," Algerian Foreign Minister Abdelaziz Boutefflika said. Iranian Interior Minister Jamshid Amouzagar said: "The West's recession has been wholly home-made."

Iraqi Foreign Minister Sa'doon Hammadi echoed their rejection of the blame for world inflation and declared that the oil exporters' decision last October to raise prices by an additional 10 per cent compared favourably with what he called an 80 per cent "inflation exported to oil producing countries" in 1974 and 1975 by the industrialized nations.

All three men spoke on the second day's session of the ministerial meeting of the North-South dialogue, called to launch a reordering of economic relations between poor and rich nations.

Kissinger, who left for Washington later yesterday, told the conference on Tuesday that the quadrupling of oil prices since 1973 caused the world inflation and recession and forced the non-oil-developing countries towards ruinous balance of payments deficits. He urged the oil producing nations to bear more of the aid burden for poor countries.

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But Boutefflika, who frequently speaks for the hard-liners among oil countries, said "it is first of all up to the richest countries to make the required concessions, to respond to the needs implied in the creation of the new international economic order."

Boutiflika said inflation has eroded 40 to 70 per cent of the higher oil prices and added, "It is evident that indexation of prices must attract special attention with a view to remedying this grave unbalance."

The U.S. rejects both the idea of indexation and the creation of a new international and economic order, replacing the current world economic system.

Kissinger, who talked here privately with most of the Arab leaders on Tuesday, publicly blamed their oil policies for the current economic troubles of the world.

But Amouzagar said the "recession is directly traceable to the failure of fiscal and monetary leadership in some industrial countries." He hinted that the U.S. was one country he had in mind.

The Third World deficits, he added, were caused not by high oil prices but by inflation, expensive food imports, weakened Western markets for their raw materials and lagging Western aid.

The oil nations, he said, give 2.6 per cent of their income in aid to poor nations, compared to an average of 0.3 per cent for the West.

A report issued recently by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) tended to support Amouzagar so far as official government aid goes, but said non-governmental aid about doubled the Western contribution to the Third World.

Since 1973, Amouzagar said, inflation "has wiped out a major portion of the real value of oil revenues. Fairness requires that the purchasing power of oil earnings, like those of all other raw materials, should be protected against imported inflation" — a reference to Iran's frequent call for an index that would tie oil prices to world inflation.

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The U.S. and other Western nations flatly oppose the index and the issue could become a major battleground in two or three years.

Kissinger's speech on Tuesday was the most direct attack heard here on the oil producers' policies. Amouzagar's reply, in turn, was the most explicit rebuttal to the Secretary's position.

Both nations have key positions on the working group that will begin the dialogue's real work — of rearranging economic relations between the rich and poor nations — after the ministerial meeting ends.

The U.S. was named yesterday co-chairman of the energy commission along with the world's principal oil exporter, Saudia Arabia. Iran is co-chairman with the European Common Market of the finance commission.

Algeria and the Common Market will chair the development commission.

Japan will be chairman of the raw materials group, along with Peru, the only non-oil-developing nations to win a chairmanship.

After taking a back seat on Tuesday, the developing nations with no oil also came into the picture yesterday. They called for stabilized raw material prices and the abolition of tariff barriers. But they were clearly treading carefully at this pre-negotiation stage of the conference.

Larger Third-World representatives like India and Brazil confined themselves mainly to expressing hopes for change, and only Pakistan moved on to the attack.

The present economic order was "outdated, unjust and irrational," Pakistan Foreign Minister Aziz Ahmed said. *(UPI, Reuter)*

Justice Dept. says bugging of foreign embassies 'necessary'

WASHINGTON. — The Justice Department says its electronic surveillance of foreign embassies and their officials is a necessary means of gathering information for foreign policy decision "in a hostile world."

In a court memorandum filed here, the Justice Department disclosed that wiretaps, electronic bugs and other surveillance is used as an active information-gathering tool — not solely for counterspying by other governments as had been generally believed.

"In order adequately to protect itself in a hostile world, the U.S. cannot depend upon chance to find out what is happening," the Department said in memorandum filed in the U.S. district court last week. *(UPI)*

U.S. gov't 'silent partner' in Saudia's 'religious bigotry'

AJC sues K over accord with Saudia

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and three other members of President Ford's Cabinet were named yesterday as defendants in a suit filed in federal district court here by the American Jewish Congress charging them with violating the constitutional rights of American Jews who are excluded from participating in government-supported programmes in Saudi Arabia because of their religion.

Charging that the federal government was a "silent partner" in Saudi Arabia's "religious bigotry against Jews," the American Jewish Congress asked for an injunction barring Kissinger, Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon, Secretary of Commerce Elliot Richardson and Secretary of the Interior Thomas S. Kleppe from implementing a 1974 U.S.-Saudi Arabia agreement calling for co-operation between the two countries in the fields of economics, technology and industry.

"We are asserting that no agency of government may cooperate with or participate in any programme from which American citizens are barred or set apart because of their religion," Leo Pfeffer, special counsel of the American Jewish Congress, said at a news conference. He added: "In seeking to establish the principle that the constitutional rights of American citizens may not be waived by the government in its dealings with foreign states, this suit raises important constitutional issues with long-range implications in the field of international law."

In addition to the four Cabinet members, the suit also lists as defendants Gerald L. Parsky, assistant secretary of the Treasury, and Daniel Parker, administrator of the agency for international development.

The A.J.C. exhibited a directive from the Saudi Arabian ministry of foreign affairs to the Aramco oil consortium stating that Saudi Arabia will issue visas to Aramco employees, except to "undesirable persons, it being understood that the undesirable persons include the Jews."

The suit is a class action brought by the A.J.C. congress, four of its officials and two private persons, who were denied admission into Saudi Arabia because they are Jews.

The defendants, who were served notice of the suit on Tuesday by District of Columbia district court marsalls, have 60 days to reply to the court. At that point, the A.J.C. will seek a temporary injunction against the defendants, barring them from cooperating with the Saudi Arabian government pending the outcome of the trial. Pfeffer said on Tuesday that the Congress is prepared to take the case to the Supreme Court if necessary.

Soviets bar Jew from press meet

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Despite promises of easier communications made after the Helsinki agreement, the Russians appear to be making more trouble for Western journalists reporting on the Soviet Union.

Reuters this week protested to the Soviet Ambassador here about his Embassy's refusal to let Reuter journalist Roy Gutman attend a press conference given by the Soviet Foreign Trade Minister.

The editor of Reuters World Service, Jonathan Fenby, wrote to Soviet Ambassador Nikolai Lunkov protesting that it was unacceptable that a journalist should be barred from such an event on personal grounds.

When a Soviet Embassy official phoned Reuters to invite them to the press conference, he insisted on knowing who would report it. He was given the names of two reporters on duty — one of them Gutman. The Soviet official replied that the Embassy did not want Gutman at the press conference.

Fenby then phoned the Soviet Embassy and was told that if Reuters insisted on sending Gutman, the invitation would be cancelled. As a result Reuters did not cover the conference.

Gutman, an American Jew, served in Reuters office in Belgrade from 1973 until earlier this year. His biggest scoop was a story revealing the anti-Tito plot of Stalinist elements last year: a revelation which it is understood enraged the Soviet Embassy in Belgrade. When Reuters later wished to appoint him Deputy Bureau Chief in their Moscow office, the Russians refused him a visa.

I was also refused a visa this week by the Soviet Embassy here, when I sought to cover Chief Rabbi Immanuel Jakobovitz's current visit to Russia. It is understood that the Russians also rejected an application from a Russian-speaking Jewish reporter who wished to accompany the Chief Rabbi. Instead they have permitted a Jewish freelance journalist who knows neither Russian nor Yiddish to cover the nine-day visit.

Ex-intelligence man testifies on K's 'secret feedback' to Dobrynin

WASHINGTON. — A former U.S. intelligence officer said yesterday the first U.S.-Soviet arms agreement was difficult to enforce because Secretary of State Henry Kissinger consulted privately with the Russians about alleged Soviet violations. The former official said the agreement was also vague.

Ray S. Klein, former director of the State Department's Bureau of Intelligence, said he concluded that procedures being followed in 1973 "could not possibly reveal either compliance or violation definitively."

Klein testified at a select House Intelligence Committee hearing on Kissinger's alleged practice of withholding intelligence reports on suspected Soviet violations of the first Salt talks agreement.

U.S. officials described the practice of limiting sensitive information to only four top administrative officials as common and said it was particularly necessary on the U.S.-Soviet accord to prevent damaging press leaks.

Klein told the committee he concluded that the agreement, at least when he was in government in 1973, could not be enforced partly because it was so vague.

Klein said he also concluded it could not be enforced because of "reluctance to let evidence discussed at the cabinet level and the system of private, secret feedback to the Soviet government through the Kissinger-Dobrynin channel." (Anatoly Dobrynin is the Soviet Union's ambassador to Washington.)

Kissinger acknowledged at a news conference last week that he held up a report of Soviet silo construction in 1973 to check it first with the Russians. *(AP)*

Argentina advances election date

BUENOS AIRES. — President Isabel Peron's administration yesterday convened general elections for October 17, 1976, the 31st anniversary of the late Juan Peron's first rise to power.

Elections will be held for President, vice-president, congressmen, governors, provincial legislators and mayors and councilmen.

Mrs. Peron, 44, assumed power 17½ months ago when a heart attack killed Peron, who had been elected for a four-year term.

General elections were originally scheduled for 1977, but the government last month decided to move it up to the last quarter of 1976.

The decision was based on a request from the leader of Argentina's main opposition party — Ricardo Balbin of the centre-left radical Civic Union — who said an early election would relieve political tension. *(AP)*

Woman denies Mafia used her to take notes to JFK

SANDIEGO. — The dark-haired woman linked to President John F. Kennedy and Mafia figures stepped out of the world of whispers yesterday to say she and Kennedy had a relationship "of a close, personal nature."

Judith Campbell Exner, after a life of public obscurity, told a packed news conference that Kennedy telephoned her "many times" from the White House.

But the artist, estimated to be in her late 30s, denied that Mafia leader Sam Giancana, who was slain in an unsolved shooting last June in Chicago, had used her to transmit messages to the Kennedy White House in connection with a Central Intelligence Agency plot against Fidel Castro.

There has been public speculation that Mrs. Exner, who was once married to actor William Campbell, may have known of Mafia talks with the CIA about plans to assassinate the Cuban leader.

"I imagine I probably knew they were part of the underworld," Mrs. Exner said of her friends.

In a statement which she read to reporters earlier and then repeated under questioning, Mrs. Exner refused to disclose the extent of her friendship with Kennedy.

Dan Exner, her husband, sat by her side as she read the statement declaring, "I can at this time emphatically state that my relationship with Jack Kennedy was of a close, personal nature and did not involve conspiratorial shennanigans of any kind."

"I originally met Jack Kennedy in early February 1960 in Las Vegas," she said. "We were introduced by a mutual friend. I was introduced to Sam Giancana by the same friend at a party in Miami beach in late 1960."

"My relationship with Sam Giancana and my relationship with Johnny Rosselli (another man reputed to be a Mafia leader) were of a personal nature and in no way related to or affected my relationship with Jack Kennedy, nor did I discuss either of them with the other," she said. *(AP)*

Psychologists advise 'no deals' with men holding hostages

LONDON. — Police waging a life-or-death battle of wills with persons holding hostages have a new ally — the psychiatrist.

In recent sieges in London and the Netherlands, the besiegers worked out their strategies in consultation with doctors who specialize in mental conditions.

Authorities differ over how much the public should be told about what the psychiatrists recommend.

The "keep it dark" school holds that criminals and terrorists should not be forewarned of the kind of pressures that can be brought to bear on them.

The opposite view is that the lives of hostages can be saved if they observe some simple rules: Do what the gunmen say without argument, do not try to be heroic, conceal hostility and remember that the longer the siege lasts, the more chance they have of getting out alive.

Scotland Yard's adviser is Dr. Peter Scott, consultant forensic psychiatrist to the Home Office. A quiet man of 61, he endorses the "no deal" policy that is now standard in Britain.

"Once this is accepted, and the message must be thoroughly well demonstrated by now, the problem is not how or in what circumstances you are coming out only when and whether alive or dead," he told "The Observer."

Scott warned that each siege is different and that only a few generalizations can be made. But he said unless the gunmen get encouragement from outside from their organization, the difference between the politically motivated captors and the common criminals diminishes rapidly as a siege goes on.

Scott also strongly favours prolonged contact between police and the gunmen. In the 18-day Monasterevin siege in the Irish Republic, where two renegades from the IRA held Dutch businessman Tiede Herrema captive, it seemed at times that the police were leaving the guerrillas to stew in their own juice. But the Irish tactics worked: Herrema was freed unhurt, and the IRA pair are in jail.

The Dutch Government has consulted with three psychiatrists or psychologists in various sieges, including the Japanese Red Army raid on the French Embassy and the Scheveningen Prison revolt last year, and the South Moluccan attacks this month.

Psychologists are reported stationed in the police control centre facing the Indonesian Consulate in Amsterdam, where South Moluccans have been holding 25 hostages for two weeks. Two other mental specialists advised the government during the 12-day siege of a train hijacked by South Moluccans in northern Holland.

Dutch officials refuse to disclose the advice they are getting. But the principal responsibility of one of the psychiatrists, Dr. Hendrik Havinga, has been to reduce the strain on the Dutch police and troops keeping watch on the hijacked train and the consulate.

One leading British psychiatrist, Dr. William Sargeant, said Scotland Yard played "exactly the right game" to achieve the surrender of the four IRA gunmen who held a man and his wife captive in their London apartment for six days this month.

These were the guidelines, worked out in consultation with Dr. Scott and taking into consideration the history of such sieges elsewhere:

1. Be tough, refusing all demands and deals, demonstrating that the area is blanketed with so much armed strength that any attempt at escape or rescue would be suicidal, and making clear that jail or death are the only alternatives for the gunmen.

2. Take all the time needed to talk to the gunmen, talk calmly, try to win their trust. Use psychiatric advice. Do not try to storm in.

3. Try to foster a relationship between the gunmen and their hostages. The more this develops, the less likely it is that the gunmen can bring themselves to kill their captives. *(AP)*

Bonn hint to Arabs not to overplay their hand

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Senior West German diplomat Hans Juergen Wischnewski told Arab League envoys at a dinner last night that the "legitimate rights" of the Palestinian Arabs and Israel's "right of existence" are the key questions in the Mideast conflict.

Wischnewski, who built up a reputation in the past as especially pro-Arab, chose his words carefully and hewed closely to the official Bonn line. This suggested that the West Germans are making special efforts to speak with one voice to both Arabs and Jews.

The German official, a State Minister in the Foreign Office, thus warned the assembled Arab Ambassadors in the swank Hotel Koenigshof that while Bonn's relations with the Arab world are good, they could still be "overshadowed" by the continuing Mideast conflict.

Wischnewski repeated Bonn's proposal that Israel recognize the "right of self-determination" of the Palestinian Arabs and that the latter recognize Israel's right to exist.

But he avoided using the phrase which he chose at a similar Arab forum last September, at which he had suggested that the Palestinians should choose their own "statehood" on territories now occupied by Israel.

Last night Wischnewski substituted for "statehood" the weaker expression "authority" — first used by West German UN. Ambassador Ruediger von Wechmar in the General Assembly in 1974 when Bonn was reformulating its attitude on the "Palestinian" question.



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Air cushion warships are the newest thing for the world's navies

LONDON. — The world's navies are looking to large air-cushion warships to regain the edge in speed that has gone to the submarine with the advent of nuclear power, according to the 1975-76 edition of "Jane's surface skimmers: hovercraft and hydrofoils," published yesterday.

Editor Roy McLeavy wrote in the introduction that recent war games demonstrated a large air-cushion, hovercraft-type ship carrying a helicopter could increase the helicopter's range by 20-40 per cent, and its time on station while searching for submarines by as much as 100 per cent.

The U.S. Navy plans to complete ship design contracts for a 2,200-ton "weaponised test ship" (hydrofoil) by June, 1976. Its ultimate goal is the construction of ocean-going air-cushion ships of up to 10,000 tons, capable of 80-100 knots, Jane's said.

The Soviet Union has shown on television this year its 200-ton "Aist," a hovercraft being used as a military logistics craft, unloading a tank to support an armed beach landing.

Admirals are also intrigued by the military promise of the more futuristic "aerodynamic skimmers" — air-cushion vehicles. Many of these resemble conventional airplanes which depend on fast forward speed to develop limited lift.

"Military planners in the U.S., the Soviet Union, France, Iran and other countries are beginning to regard the wing-in-ground-effect machine (essentially an aircraft which "flies" close to the sea or ground) as the craft closest to their requirements for highspeed troop and cargo carrying," McLeavy wrote.

Such vehicles can be built much larger than conventional aircraft, travel at 320-480 kph over water, can slip up on shorelines under defensive radar, and — because they do not touch the water — are invulnerable to enemy mines or torpedoes.

McLeavy also suggested that more traditional hydrofoil craft would be excellent for patrolling off-shore oil rigs, especially in the North Sea. *(Reuter)*

Spain quietly lifting ban on street protests

MADRID. — Without saying so, the new Spanish Government is permitting peaceful street demonstrations for the first time in nearly four decades.

A government spokesman yesterday confirmed the change in policy and described it as "experimental in principle" under Spain's new internal security chief, Interior Minister Manuel Fraga Iribarne. He declined to say what limits still circumscribed "the right to demonstrate" or what orders police had been given.

But the fact that any demonstrations critical of government policy were being allowed at all represented a sharp reversal of a ban rigidly enforced by Gen. Francisco Franco, Spain's dictatorial ruler for 36 years before his death on November 20.

The change, presumably part of the new government's promises to give Spaniards more liberty, is not expected to be announced.

Leftist forces opposed to the government were sceptical and said they have not been advised of any change in government policy. But they acknowledged word could have been passed in general terms when Fraga met earlier this week the head of the illegal Popular Socialist Party (PSP), Prof. Enrique Tierno Galvan.

The new security chief, former Ambassador to Britain and former Information Minister, was said to be considering meetings with other opposition leaders.

Since the new government took office five days ago, leftist demonstrations calling for amnesty for political prisoners have taken place in a dozen Spanish cities without police intervention. *(AP, UPI)*

Survey of Western states predicts —

New Zealand at top of 1976 inflation stakes

PARIS. — New Zealand will have the highest inflation rate next year of 24 main Western industrial nations, and West Germany the lowest, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) predicted here yesterday.

It said in its six-monthly review of prospects for the industrial Western world that New Zealand's rate would be 17 per cent, compared with 15 per cent this year.

Britain would again be second with a 1976 rate of 15.25 per cent, compared with this year's forecast 21.5 per cent.

But Ireland, predicted as this year's inflation leader with 22 per cent, would fall next year to 15 per cent, the OECD said.

It listed seven other nations as likely to have double-figure inflation in 1976. They are, with this year's forecasts in brackets: Spain 15 per cent (17), Australia and Finland 13 (15 and 17), Belgium 12 (12.25), Italy 11.5 (16.75), France 11 (11.75) and Greece 10 (13).

The OECD said Iceland, Luxembourg, Portugal and Turkey taken together would show an inflation rate in 1976 of 10 per cent (11.75 per cent this year), but gave no individual breakdown.

West Germany would again have the lowest inflation rate in 1976 at 4.75 per cent (5.75 this year), the OECD said.

It gave other rates, with 1975 comparisons in brackets, as: Canada 9.25 per cent (11), U.S. seven (eight), Japan 9.75 (12.25), Austria 7.5 (nine), Denmark seven (nine), Holland 8.5 (10.5), Norway 8.5 (11.5), Sweden 8.5 (9.5) and Switzerland five (seven). *(Reuter)*

DELEGATION. — A Jordanian delegation will go to Moscow early next week to discuss bilateral relations, a Jordanian newspaper reported yesterday. The delegation, which begins its visit on Monday, will be led by former Prime Minister Abdel-Moneim al-Rafai.

China launches fifth earth satellite

PEKING. — China yesterday announced the launching of its fifth earth satellite — and observers believe it could be a preparatory step towards Peking's first manned spaceflight.

The satellite, the third this year, "is functioning properly," according to the New China news agency.

The last launching, on November 26, was followed by the surprise announcement that the capsule had been successfully recovered. This means Chinese scientists have solved a complex of "return problems," soft-landing techniques and developed the heat-resistant alloys necessary to withstand the white-hot re-entry temperatures.

A leading West German space scientist, Prof. Heinz Kaminski, predicted after the recovery that the day of China's first manned spacecraft was not far away.

Unusually, yesterday's announcement said one purpose of the spacecraft was "preparedness against war," and it was launched with the help of "commanders and fighters of the People's Liberation Army."

Weights of this year's three spacecraft have not been revealed, probably to hide the capacity of the intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM)-type rocket believed to have been used for the launchings.

China is believed to be developing an ICBM capable of delivering a nuclear warhead, but has not tested one over its full range — about 9,600 km. — which would require a shipping-free splashdown area in the Pacific or Indian Ocean. *(Reuter)*

China building an arsenal of small nuclear weapons

By S.K. GHOSH

CHINA, it has now been established, conducted its 17th nuclear test at Lop Nor in Sinkiang on October 27. It was only China's second underground test and comes more than six years after the first one, which was on September 23, 1969.

No site or yield of the explosion have been given by Peking. But according to the Indian Atomic Energy Commission's seismic station near Bangalore, it was at the additional Lop Nor testing ground and measured only 20 kilotons — equal to 20,000 tons of TNT.

Strangely enough, the Chinese had not till now followed up their 1969 success in underground explosion technology but had persisted with atmospheric tests. Seven atmospheric tests were conducted between the first and second underground blasts.

As China has not signed the partial test-ban treaty of 1963, which prohibits atmospheric tests, the political cost of such testing is significant. Even France, another non-signatory which had persisted in atmospheric testing (in the South Pacific), has since taken to underground testing.

Reports suggest that China is now to build an arsenal of small, up to 30 kiloton nuclear weapons which can be delivered by the Chinese-designed F-9 fighter-bomber. It is therefore likely to carry out a few more low-yield underground tests to perfect the production of tactical weapons.

It is believed Peking may have suspended work on a larger ICBM (with megaton yield warheads), capable of hitting Washington, to concentrate on miniaturising warheads for tactical nuclear arms.

China appears to have already built a moderate-sized atomic arsenal. According to the military-balance paper for 1975-76 produced by the Institute of Strategic Studies in London, facilities for producing nuclear materials have been expanded, and nuclear weapon stockpiles of various sizes probably now stand at 200-300 warheads (fission and fusion weapons).

In delivery systems, China has apparently shown interest in all three elements of the "triad" used by other nuclear powers (aircraft as well as land- and sea-based missiles), although the stress has obviously been on the development of a viable ballistic missile system.

It has strategic Tu-16 medium bombers (about 100), IL-28 light bombers (about 150-200) and Chinese-made F-9 fighter bombers (about 300). The last-named are suitable only for tactical missions.

China's progress on the strategic ballistic missile has been rather slow and faulty.

According to U.S. and British estimates, its strategic-missile force consists of about 50 MRBMs (range around 1,500km) and 20-30 single-stage IRBMs (range 2,500-3,500 km). These are reported to be operationally deployed in at least four locations (southwest of Mongolia, south of Peking, south-central China and near the Korean border)). The sites are mainly "soft," above-ground, ones with a few in concrete or steel silos or caves.

A multi-stage IRBM with a range of about 6,000 km. — enough to reach Moscow and other targets in European Russia — appears to have been ready for deployment for some time. For some unknown reason, it is not yet in operation.

An ICBM with a range of 11,000-13,000 km. — which can reach most targets in the U.S. — has also been under development for some years. But full-range testing, which would require impact areas either in the Indian Ocean or the Pacific, has yet to be carried out. The Pentagon estimates it may be ready for deployment in silos by the mid-'eighties.

China may thus be regarded as having developed a substantial regional (nuclear) capability, and is nearing its goal of building a deterrent force — with a second strike capability — against the Soviet Union. *(Gemini)*



HOMELESS SICILIANS giving the clenched-fist salute Tuesday night in Palermo's Cathedral, which they said they would not leave until the Italian government gives them the flats it allegedly promised them several months ago. They said 8,000 flats are standing empty and unassigned in the Sicilian provincial capital due to bureaucratic red tape. (AP radiophoto)

Thorn—UN should have let Zionism issue alone

UNITED NATIONS. — The Zionism-racism dispute that overshadowed the 30th UN General Assembly is still unclear and would have been better left alone, Assembly President Prime Minister Gaston Thorn of Luxembourg said on Tuesday. The session was to end last night.

"I hope this discussion and this vote have at least proved ... that a world assembly should refrain from voting on something when it is not exactly sure what it is voting on and to what purpose," Thorn said at a news conference reviewing the session on Tuesday.

Adjournment, scheduled for Tuesday, was delayed one day by a backlog of administrative and financial resolutions, including one containing the 1976-77 UN budget of 746m., a 21.8 per cent increase over 1974-75.

Climaxing the angriest debate of its autumn session, the Assembly voted 72-35 on November 10 approving an Arab and Communist-sponsored resolution declaring that Zionism is a form of racism and racial discrimination.

Arab nations had threatened Thorn with a motion of censure because the next day he issued a statement blaming the anti-Zionism resolution on extremists and expressing hope that 'the necessary number of delegations" would "put things right."

The 47-year-old Thorn warded this off with a declaration that he had spoken as Prime Minister of Luxembourg, rather than General Assembly President.

He made a similar disclaimer Tuesday at his news conference as Assembly president, saying:

"As Prime Minister of Luxembourg, I must say that, unfortunately, nothing has happened since the adoption of that resolution to make me change my opinion ... There is still a great deal of room for different interpretations. Perhaps that will lead to a re-examination of positions.

"We should at least agree on whom we are condemning or not condemning," he said.

Meanwhile in Mexico City, Mexican Foreign Minister Emilio Rabasa denied reports he planned to resign as a result of international controversy over Mexico's position on the UN in support of a resolution equating Zionism with racism. "No, no. I'm not thinking of resigning," Rabasa told newsmen on Tuesday in answer to a question. He spoke at Mexico City Airport after returning from a prolonged visit to the UN and Israel. *(AP)*

Kang Sheng, China's No. 4, dead in Peking

HONGKONG. — Kang Sheng, fourth-ranking member of the Chinese Communist hierarchy, died on Tuesday in Peking, aged 77, it was announced Tuesday.

A lifetime close supporter of party chairman Mao Tse-tung, Kang once headed the party's secret police and intelligence apparatus. But his death will do little to alter the jockeying for power that has emerged with the aging of Mao and the prolonged illness that has incapacitated Premier Chou En-lai.

The frail, myopic Kang, one of the party's five vice-chairmen, had been virtually inactive for several years, possibly as a result of overwork during the chaotic Cultural Revolution in the middle and late 1960s. During that period he was key man in a special cultural-revolution group set up in the party by Mao.

Because of his illness, Kang has made ony a few public appearances during the past five years. Among the last was his attendance at the fourth National People's Congress in January.

It was Kang who encouraged Mao's marriage to Shanghai movie actress Chiang Ching. Thanks to the goodwill built up with Mao and Chiang Ching he survived the ups and downs of Communist intrigue for more than three decades, even though he was from a big landlord family and had undergone criticism in the 1930s.

He is the second Politburo member to die this year. Tung Pi-wu, former Acting President of the Republic and one of the 12 founding members of the party, died in April, and has not been replaced. Both Kang and Tung were considered "safe" votes for Mao on the Politburo. But their demise will really have little effect in this regard because Mao himself is playing a less active role. *(UPI, AP)*

SOCCER PREVIEW — JACK LEON

Intriguing clash between Haifa Hapoel, J'lem Betar

TEL AVIV. — National and League A and B football matches will take place as usual on Saturday, following last week-end's cancellation of the whole soccer programme because of mourning for the murdered Rehovot Maccabi player Mordechai Kiend.

(Kiend was killed on December 6 during a League C game in Rehovot, and the local football association has decided that fixtures in both this division and League D will only be resumed on January 3.)

In Tuesday's National League card, astonishingly, Haifa Hapoel was the only one of the first 11 clubs to pick up maximum points, climbing to fourth place as a result of their 3-0 victory over Ramat Amidar Maccabi. The Haifaites now take on third-placed Jerusalem Betar in the Capital in what should be an intriguing contest. In mid-week the Jerusalemites achieved a commendable 2-2 draw at Petah Tikva Maccabi — after trailing 0-2 early in the second half — and, with both sides looking sharp these days, a tie could well be the outcome at the YMCA Stadium.

Last season's champions and current league leaders Beersheba Hapoel, who were held to a 1-1 draw by visiting Tel Aviv Betar in midweek, face Tel Aviv Hapoel at Bloomfield. The hosts, anxious to redeem themselves following their 4-1 drubbing by Shimshon two days ago, might well take a point in an open game. Second-placed Jerusalem Hapoel then held to a goalless draw by lowly Petah Tikva Hapoel, travel to Haifa to meet the local Maccabi, another team in the cellar, and again the points are likely to be shared.

Home wins look in prospect for Netanya Maccabi against Jaffa Maccabi, and Kfar Saba Hapoel at the expense of Ramat Amidar Maccabi, who have picked up just one solitary point in their last seven games. Likewise, Tel Aviv Betar should be too strong on their own ground for struggling Petah Tikva Hapoel, while the vastly-improved Petah Tikva Maccabi appear to have good prospects of two home against guests Tel Aviv Maccabi — who on Tuesday suffered a rare home loss, when they succumbed 1-2 to Hadera Hapoel. Hadera now host Shimshon, with the Tel Avivians fresh from their first league win of the current campaign and Gideon Damti's superb hat-trick of headed goals. A good scrap seems in the offing here, with the probable outcome either a home win or a draw.

Because of the postponement of league fixtures from Saturday until Tuesday, Sportoto results of this round of games are not yet to hand.

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Gordon, Kay win singles in 21st annual Bowls meet

TEL AVIV. — Matt Gordon and Maisie Kay emerged as the singles winners of the Israel Bowls Association's recently-concluded 21st annual national championships. The pairs titles were taken by Harry Frankel-Robert Goldwasser (men's), and Rina Lebel-Batya Krivy (women's), as reported briefly in Monday's paper.

Ontario-born Matt Gordon, 57, and his son David, 23, won the pairs event of the Savyon club's annual bowls championships over the weekend. This was the first tournament title taken by a father-and-son team since bowls was introduced here in 1953. In the final, the Gordons defeated Max Schumacher and Freddy Baram 20-15, after Matt had chalked up yet another success when he won the singles handicap by defeating Harry Frankel 21-15 in the last round. The Ramat Gan Club also completed its annual championships over the week-end, marking the end of the IBA's competitive season.

In the national singles, by a quirk of fate Matt met his son David in the quarters, after the youngster had scored upset victories against Goldwasser and defending champion Harry Esacov in the early rounds. The senior Gordon triumphed 21-13, then went on to defeat fellow-international Chunk Treisman 21-15 in the final. Maisie Kay retained her singles crown with a dramatic 21-20 win against Phyllis Geffen.

In the national pairs finals, Frankel-Goldwasser beat Sam Skudowitz-Cecil Cooper 22-18, while Lebel-Krivy edged out Bernice Pillemer-Akiva Nachmias 18-17.

Other winners in the Savyon championships were: singles — Cooper and Nachmias; and women's pairs — Nachmias and Rivi Sebba. At Ramat Gan, Esacov and Geffen gained the singles titles, with the doubles going to Yehuda Lebel-David Amdor and Kay-Edith Cohen-Mintz.

K. denies strained ties with Canada

PARIS. — U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger disavowed yesterday a statement by the American Ambassador to Canada that U.S.-Canadian relations are becoming badly strained.

Kissinger met here with Canadian Foreign Minister Allan J. Maceachen and, according to Maceachen's spokesman, said he had no prior knowledge of the statement by Ambassador William Porter and "could not understand how it happened."

The two men issued a joint statement stressing U.S.-Canadian "friendship and cooperation" and their "intention to continue the process of consultation and negotiation which enables us to surmount the inevitable economic strains which arise from time to time between these two major economies." *(UPI)*

Junior net stars lose in Florida

MIAMI BEACH. — Czechoslovakia beat Israel, 2-1, in the second round of the Sunshine Cup junior tennis matches here on Tuesday.

Shlomo Glickstein beat Zdenek Zofka (Czechoslovakia), 6-4, 6-0; Ivan Lendl (Czechoslovakia) beat Alan Sherr, 6-0, 6-3; and Zofka-Lendl beat Glickstein-Sherr, 7-5, 0-6, 6-3. *(Reuter)*

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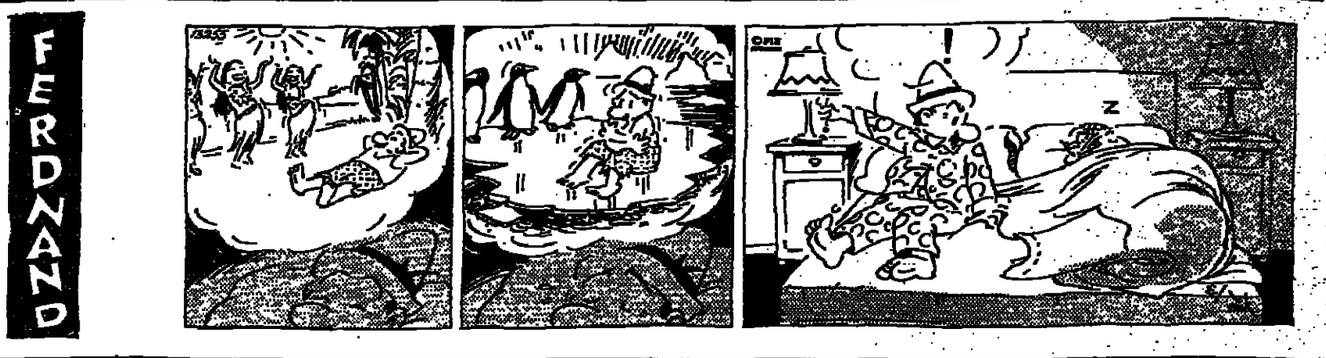
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Lilienblum Street, the black ket dollar also continued to rise from IL10 to IL10.20 (dealers'). Tourists and non-residents receiving IL10 for cash and for cheques. (The official rate ne banks is now IL7.10.)

dex-linked bonds rose, but only rly: 6.5 per cent bonds, for ople, rose about 2 points; and 3,000 series, traded according to yield, rose ½ to 1 point, leading a yield fluctuation between 1.91 per cent to 1.97 per cent. The turnover in bonds came to IL13.3m.

Stocks, in contrast to Tuesday's trade, took a sharp drop. Rassco preferred fell 5 points to 129 (31,000); Discount Investment was down 6 to 231 (66,800); and Bank Leumi Investment was down 3.5 points to 200 (120,500).

The turnover in stocks came to IL4,455,000, of which IL887,000 was in the variables.

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Rally in bond market

Y YORK. — The stock market on Tuesday's gains with a st advance yesterday.

alysts said buying was en- aged by a continuing rally in bond market, which has the t of driving down long-term interest rates. But they also noted some hesitancy over 1976 tax prospects. Both Houses of Congress gave their final approval yesterday to a bill that would extend this year's tax cuts through the first half of 1976. President Ford has said he will veto the measure.

Hongkong's new answer to an old water problem

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e problem is that while Hong- has a healthy but erratic rain- about a quarter of which is vided by often spectacular lones, it has no underground rce of water supply of any ificance, and no river or lake of size.

answer has been to construct the years a series of man-made rvoirs which provide a com- d storage capacity of 67,300 on gallons. They are fed largely highly-developed network of hment channels that meander around the hillsides gathering rainwater that would normally drain into the sea or be otherwise lost. It has also purchased water on a regular basis from China since 1960, and this will continue. In recent years this has been at a rate of 18,500 million gallons but was raised to 21,000 million gallons for 1974-75.

The plant is one of two major water development projects currently under construction in Hongkong. The second, costing over £137 million is, perhaps, an even more remarkable venture. It involves sealing off with two dams towering some 300 ft. above their foundations the two ends of a sea water channel which runs between High Island and the mainland Sai Kung peninsula. The new 17,000-acre reservoir thus formed will, with the sea water pumped out, be able to store 60,000 million gallons of fresh water, with a maximum extraction rate on completion of the project in 1979 of 120 million gallons daily.

Hongkong's separate network of salt water mains is also gradually being extended. Last year, it supplied homes and commercial premises with 14,000 million gallons of sea water for flushing purposes, saving a similar quantity of valuable fresh water.

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Proposed budget leaves little room to move

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

THE DANGER facing the economy is that the proposed IL84 billion budget for 1976/77 may not be applied as it stands, Professor Ben-Porat, of the Hebrew University, cautioned, in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* Monday.

The Government has overspent during the current year by over 10 per cent, with the aid of supplementary budgets. If it does the same next year and spends over IL90 billion, that will be a catastrophe, he said.

In order to avoid such an eventuality, there has to be a bigger reserve in the budget than previously for unforeseen contingencies — and two contingencies in particular. First, a good many firms have suffered serious financial losses this year, and the number will be greater in 1976. The authorities have to decide beforehand how much aid they will extend (even though it will not be distributed indiscriminately). A reserve is necessary for that.

Secondly, funds should be set aside in case the revenue collected falls short of predicted levels. Professor Ben-Porat suspects that estimates have been stretched, both of bond sales and income tax.

Taking all this into consideration, it is evident that the Treasury has little room to move. Yet Ministers are already clamouring for more than their present allocations. This is the first opportunity to force economies by making it clear to each department that there is no further money to be had. "The Knesset and its Finance Committee could check that no Ministry gets extra sums even for essential purposes, until it has cut off every bit of superfluous fat."

Ben-Porat seemed to believe that there are plenty of savings to be made — in the Defence Ministry too. "A 5 per cent economy in that huge area of expenditure could solve half the budgetary problem," he observed.

"All the deflationary objectives will only be attained if the authorities make a decision, when the budget is enacted, that no Supplementary Budget shall be presented for approval during the coming financial year — except if an emergency (such as higher unemployment than envisaged) makes it necessary," he concluded.

He is not disturbed at the pause in economic growth. "We have increased our GNP rapidly in the past, but at the cost of a rapidly increasing dollar debt. We must take this opportunity of rearranging our affairs, so that we can return perhaps to a slower rate of growth, but one that is more economic in terms of foreign borrowings."

He regrets the decision to use tax rebates as a way of encouraging exports. Professor Ben-Porat, who was a member of the five-man Ben-Shachar committee on tax reform, stressed that incentives should be given to export industries, but not in this way. "Tax rebates have a manner of spreading," he cautioned.

Another minor point of criticism is the decision to increase national insurance contributions: "It is a tax on wage bills," he explained — "like the payroll tax." It penalises firms that employ a lot of labour. A better method would have been to increase the proposed value added tax. That is a levy not just on wages, but on all turnover — which is more sensible, he thinks.

Retirement at 60 for 2 million Frenchmen

By PAUL WEBSTER

PARIS. — FROM NEXT JULY about a tenth of France's work force will be entitled to take their retirement on a full State pension from the age of 60, instead of 65. This will mark the first stage of a work revolution which is uniting both senior executives and unskilled workers.

Although trade unions are continuing their guerrilla warfare on wages, particularly for low-paid jobs in publicly-owned industries, the general strategy on pay is taking third place behind that on retirement and a longer-term campaign on the reduction of working hours. This is despite the fact that the disparity between top and bottom wages is higher in France than any other major Western industrialised State and that the Frenchman stays longer at his desk or machine than his German or British counterparts.

Both the big Communist and Socialist-led trade unions have sensed that a major campaign on wages would make little headway in present economic conditions, particularly as only one in four Frenchmen is a union member. Meanwhile the reduction of work hours from the present maximum of 50 and the national average of 42 is not a popular cause with a large part of the manual working force on short time and receiving compensation based on maximum hours.

But union policy, general sentiment and Government interests have combined to ensure a rapid victory on retirement. While the Government is both interested in creating more jobs to offset more than a million unemployed and add to the President's claims of an "advanced liberal society," a deep psychological change in work attitudes has joined white and blue collar workers.

THE FIRST TO BENEFIT from the change are the most justified cases, workers in what are described as "difficult jobs" and mothers of three children or more who have worked in manual jobs. Among "difficult jobs" are those of foundry workers, building workers and those on mass production assembly lines. They can take their early retirement on a State pension up to about IL2,000 a month.

The move is considered the thin end of the wedge. The Government is aware that if generalised retirement were to be introduced at 60, it would create 600,000 jobs a year. Although the eventual overall cost of $2,800m. a year will slow the process, the entire manual work force should be getting early retirement by 1980.

THE EASE with which this revolution is beginning is doubtless due to the remarkable change in attitude of white collar workers, whose vote and influence is vital for the Government. Ten years ago a survey among France's million white collar workers in private industry showed that only 17 per cent of those who went into early retirement chose to do so: 51 per cent of senior and junior executives wanted to continue in their jobs after 65.

A new survey now shows that 71 per cent of all white collar workers in private industry want to retire before 65, with the most dominant reason being a simple desire to enjoy a more varied life.

Sensing the generalised fall-off in interest in work after 60, several major firms have had to introduce graduated retirement schemes. At Michelin the working week is reduced by one day for each year after 60; at Gillette the annual holiday is gradually increased over the last five years before retirement.

Psychologists have marked May 1968, when students sparked off a national revolution of attitudes, as the turning point in senior employees' reasoning on the value of their work. It has been found that white collar workers, and particularly those at middle levels, are now less and less taken by their work and take less part in decisions. As a result they are beginning to look elsewhere for self-fulfilment.

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Waiving the rights to a child

THE SUPREME COURT dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on July 8, 1975 (in A.C. 48/75).

Upon the insistence of a concerned neighbour, the appellants' infant daughter was brought by them to the hospital in 1970 in a state of near-fatal neglect. She remained in the hospital for eight months without their visiting her once or even enquiring after her welfare, and after she was placed with a foster family, with her parents' consent, they visited her only once, in 1973 — and then only upon the insistence of the welfare officer — despite the fact that the child's foster home was within walking distance of their own home. The appellants never even bothered to phone and enquire after the child's welfare during all the years she was in her foster home. Nor did they contribute towards the cost of her hospitalization or the expense of keeping her in a foster home.

In 1975 the child was placed with a family who wished to adopt her. When the parents heard about this they objected to her being adopted. The Attorney General thereupon applied to the Tel Aviv District court for a declaratory judgment to the effect that it was entitled to give an adoption order without the consent of the child's parents by virtue of section 11(1) of the Adoption Law, 1960, which provides that: A court may make an adoption order even without the consent of a parent where any of the following has been proved to its satisfaction: (1) the parent has abandoned the adoptee or has constantly failed to fulfil his duty towards him..."

The District Court refrained from holding that the parents had completely abandoned their child, but did find that their failure to fulfil their duties towards her "cried out to the heavens" and that, in consequence, the court would be entitled, when the time came, to issue an adoption order without the parents' consent.

In the appeal against this judgment to the Supreme Court Mr. Schechter appeared for the appellants and Mrs. P. Albeck, Assistant State Attorney, for the respondent.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT SITTING AS COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

Before Justices Witkon, Cohn and Shamgar.

A.B. & C.B., Appellants, v. The Attorney General, Respondent (C.A.549/75)

JUDGMENT

Justice Cohn, who delivered the main opinion of the Supreme Court, noted that the appellants' counsel had not attempted to challenge the District Court's factual findings, but had argued that even in the factual circumstances established by the District Court the appellants could not be said to have failed to fulfil their duty towards their child within the meaning of section 11(1) as the duties therein referred to were, in his opinion, not moral ones, but the express ones specified in section 15 of the Capacity and Guardianship Law: that is, to care for the needs of the minor, including his education, and so forth. Since these needs, he had argued further, had been taken care of by the welfare authorities, as the appellants' agents, there was no cause for the appellants to do so.

He could not allow this two-fold argument, held Justice Cohn. For, first, the duties referred to in section 11(1) of the Adoption Law are not only such duties as are expressly provided for in section 15 of the Capacity and Guardianship Law, both for the simple reason that this latter law was enacted after the Adoption Law, and also for the reason that the term "duties" in the Adoption Law is not a technical-legal one, but was intended to give expression to the natural relationship between parents and their children.

When, he continued, a parent behaves in such a manner as to show manifestly that he waives all his rights to his children — that is, by grossly neglecting them and refusing to fulfil any of his natural and legal duties to show concern for them, clothe them and provide for them — then he will be deemed to have "constantly failed to fulfil his duty towards them" within the meaning of section 11(1). However, as long as a parent fulfils some duties towards his children (even if he cannot, or will not, fulfil all of them) and thus shows that he does at least regard them as his children, there would be no justification for deeming him to have waived all his rights of parenthood.

In the case under consideration, Justice Cohn went on to hold, the appellants' behaviour towards their child showed complete disavowal of all their duties towards her — and thus also of their rights — and as this behaviour had continued consistently for a long time before the question of adoption had arisen, they must be deemed to have "constantly failed to fulfil their duties towards their child," within the meaning of section 11(1) whatever their reasons might now be for fighting hard to prevent their child from being adopted.

The District Court judge, continued Justice Cohn, had settled any doubts he might have had as to any possible change of attitude towards their child on the part of the appellants, by holding that whatever the reason for this might be, the good of the child now demanded that she be given for adoption and taken away from her parents. This conclusion had been challenged by the appellants' counsel, who had argued that parents have the right to object to their children's being adopted even if this were for the children's good.

The answer to this argument, however, is, he held, that there is no judicial proceeding with respect to children in which the good of the child is not the paramount consideration, and this includes adoption proceedings. Even the legislature's demand that a child not be adopted without the consent of its parents is, he held further, based on the fact that the good of the child demands that it not be removed from parental care and the parental home without the consent of parents who have some vestige of love for it, as the legislature generally prefers the good which accrues to a child from growing up in his own family to the good which might accrue to him in the home of strangers. However, in the particular case under consideration, the circumstances were such that the good of the child certainly did not demand that she be left with parents who had failed in all their duties towards her constantly and consistently, and for this reason their consent to her being adopted was not required.

As to the second part of the appellants' argument, continued Justice Cohn, he could not agree that where the needs of a child are cared for by a welfare state, the parents' have no duties towards it. For in addition to the fact that a parent also owes his child love, pity and tenderness, the duties of parents towards their children are personal duties which cannot be fulfilled through any agency. Even in a welfare state — and perhaps especially in a welfare state — a person may not evade his duties towards his spouse and children, and even towards his parents because he is sure that someone else will care for them. On the contrary, he will be called upon to recompense any other body, including the state authorities, who has taken over his duties towards his family, as witness the appropriate provisions of the law.

The appeal should, therefore, be dismissed.

(To be continued)

EMKA COMPANY of Givatayim, manufacturers of waffle irons, has expanded its line and is now making electric blankets. Company manager Mordechai Kaminsky said more than half of the output is earmarked for export, and estimates for overseas sales in the first year of production are $100,000. The blankets will be sold under the trade name "Snuglet," and are coated with a synthetic fabric manufactured by Pick Fabrics Ltd. of Bnei Brak.

HASNEH INSURANCE has come out with a new life insurance plan, Revah, which gives participants an opportunity to share in the company's profits from its life insurance division. According to the plan, the company undertakes to distribute profits at a rate of no less than one per cent for seven years. At the end of this period the company will decide upon a new distribution rate.

RAV-BARIAH SECURITY LOCKS will export a total of 200,000 locks, valued at $3.6m., to the U.S. and West Europe this year. In order to improve its production process, the company, which was only set up two years ago, intends to invest IL500,000 in new machinery. The Rav-Bariah plant, situated in the Holon industrial zone, currently employs 50 workers and soon expects to hire an additional 15-20.

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Power and perceptions

ACCORDING to the reports from Washington yesterday the meeting between Defence Minister Shimon Peres and the new U.S. Secretary of Defence, Donald Rumsfeld, was marked by a broad measure of understanding of Israel's needs.

This understanding fundamentally persists as well on the political level, where Israel and the U.S. are intent on blocking a Soviet-Syrian effort to undermine America's diplomatic predominance in the Middle East by invoking the UN Security Council. Moscow and Damascus would seek to alter both the framework and substance of the American-directed effort to achieve a Middle East settlement, by amending resolution 242 and using the Security Council to obtain an imposed settlement.

It is to dissuade the Syrians from such a course that Dr. Kissinger has sent his top aide, Alfred Atherton, to the area, but on the basis of past performance, Damascus will no doubt go its own radical way.

Yet despite the basic agreement that exists between Jerusalem and Washington, and the Ford Administration's readiness to grant Israel generous material aid, there has been a notable erosion of support for Israel's present political posture, both in the American press and to some degree in the Congress.

The change can be traced to a whole cluster of causes. Americans to the left of the political spectrum are impatient over the Palestinian issue, though they refuse or are unable to see the dangers and difficulties in facile calls for a new Palestinian state. Others, more to the right, are impatient to improve America's relations with the Arab world, and see Israel as an obstacle. Still others are dubious about the extent of aid to Israel, and the danger of American military involvement. At a time when many Americans lack the perception and will to beat back threats to American interests elsewhere in the world, such political weariness can affect attitudes to Israel as well.

Beyond these generalized attitudes of some groups, there is also a willingness of some Administration officials to deploy the mass media against Israel for immediate tactical ends. But while the aim may be tactical, the accumulation of criticism against Israel for this or that failure to heed the American line, can have longer-range effects. And it may well be that Israel is now paying a price in the American media and to a degree in the American public, for the efforts of Administration officials seeking to manipulate the media for short-range goals.

To a large extent, however, the blame for this must also be directed inward. For no matter how firmly persuaded the Prime Minister and most of his ministers and most of his party may be about Israel's course, there can be little doubt that they have failed to persuade opinion and opinion makers abroad.

In part this is perhaps natural. Foreign politicians, and the opinion makers they influence, who are intent on pursuing interests in the Arab world, even at Israel's expense, will not be easily deterred by Israeli argumentation alone.

However, the United States is not, say, France. And while the Government cannot be accused of taking the support of American public opinion for granted, it has failed to make the arts of persuasion and explanation an integral part of the foreign policy process. It has watched Dr. Kissinger, for example, control the American media for his own purposes, as in the case of the negotiations for the interim settlement with Egypt, without developing the readiness or the mechanisms to counter such uses of the power of the press.

It has in sum failed to appreciate that while politics and especially international politics is a game of power and interests, it is also a matter of how power and interests are perceived — and in a democracy like the U.S. perceived by a large and varied public.

It is a failure that Israel never could afford. Today it has become a blunder of major proportions.

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'Israel wise to Giscard'

YEDIOT AHARONOT (independent) says that if Giscard d'Estaing, just returned from a trip to Cairo where he made a deal with his hosts for the supply of weapons and atomic reactors and for the construction of a modern and independent military industry for Egypt, thinks that Israel is not aware of the fact that the transaction is aimed against us — he is mistaken.

DAVAR (Histadrut) comments on the disappointment with which the Israeli public and U.S. Jewry learned of Mexico's vote at the U.N. over the resolutions of the Women's Rights Conference, which contained a denunciation of Zionism. "Mexico's vote was not a violation of any specific promise made to Israel by Foreign Minister Rabasa, who studiously avoided committing his country on this specific vote, nor did Israel press him to make such a commitment. Mexico has been trying hard to integrate into the Third World, with President Echeverria seeking a leading position in this camp, and hoping to become U.N. Secretary-General. Yet Mexico was anxious not to lose U.S. Jewish tourism, and this was probably the main motive for Rabasa's hastily-conceived visit to Jerusalem."

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VIEWPOINT

After emancipation

REUBEN GROSS

WHEN THE PRESENT ERA will have faded into the perspective of history, the significant key to our times will be, not the transition from the Holocaust to the State of Israel, but a less dramatic transition; the passage of Jewry from the Emancipation era to the post-Emancipation era. The rise of the State is but one of the more important aspects of the latter phenomenon.

The first sparks of Emancipation, lit in Holland and thence passed to England, burst into a clear light in the American and French Revolutions. For a century and a half thereafter its development dominated Jewish life collectively and individually. Jews moved from countries of oppression to freedom, entered fully into the economic, political and intellectual life of their host-countries and rapidly climbed the ladders of success in business and academic fields. Recent figures in the United States, for example, show that Jews possess the highest per capita income of all ethnic groups.

The struggle against anti-Semitism was not won overnight, however. It was a slow and costly battle until the horrors of the Nazi-fomented Holocaust stirred the conscience of the Gentile world. Those stirrings of conscience helped to pave the way for the establishment of Israel and for the acceptance of equality of opportunity for Jews, *de facto* as well as *de jure*. In the United States, for example, laws against religious discrimination are faithfully enforced. A Sabbath observer there has more job protection under the law than in Israel. Representations by or on behalf of the martyred people has taken on an added measure of urgency and justice in the free world, so that today, outside of the Communist-Arab axis, Jews have achieved substantial equality. It is not necessary to catalogue Jewish achievements, as a people and as individuals, over the last quarter of a century, to show that a chapter in our history is closed and that it is now time to re-orient thinking to the writing of a new chapter.

THE THINKING of the over-40 generation of Jewry, whether in Israel or in the Diaspora, is unfortunately rooted in the Emancipation era and in its ambitions to climb the scales of Gentile values. In Israel this mood is reflected by the almost hypnotic hold that academic titles and Culture has on the older generation. Contrast the mental associations between *Professor* and *Rosh Yeshiva*! In America the drive for Achievement until recently was so intense that it became the butt of humourists. The introduction, "My son, the doctor," is a parody on the Jewish mother's pride and pressure for her son's advancement. The fixation of the Israeli for national liberation and of the Galut Jew for personal emancipation has been so intense that the process of achieving these purposes has become an end in itself. The true ends for which these purposes were sought have been forgotten.

Hence, a generation gap has developed between children born in the post-Emancipation era and their parents. Young Israelis who never knew a world without a State of Israel and to whom the Holocaust and the Inquisition and the Crusades are merely three chapters in a history book, cannot understand their parents' fervid commitment to the State. Yet when they see that such a commitment is based on the Culture and the other manifestations of Civilization that Jews have produced here — well — there is more of the same in America, produced in no small measure by Jews, too, if you will. If an Israeli seeks middle class values there are other places where they are more easily obtained.

The Jewish youth of America, on the other hand, are ready to cast aside the middle class values for which prior generations struggled. Born into comfort, rarely experiencing the prick of anti-Semitism, and taught to cherish the exercise of their impulses as an ideal called 'freedom,' they cannot see the point of any discipline, Jewish or middle-class. The inter-marriage rate, now up to 35 per cent, which is effectively more than 50 per cent in non-Orthodox ranks, indicates an almost complete rejection of Judaism inasmuch as the Jewishness of the non-intermarrying half cannot be far above the levels of their compatriots.

NEVER, since the Destruction of the Second Temple, have the Jewish people enjoyed such physical and spiritual autonomy. Hence the challenge, 'Emancipation for what?' presses with insistent urgency. The Orthodox Jew has an ageless answer: to live a full life of Tora and *mitzvot*. For this we have waited and suffered 2,000 years. Secular and heterodox Jews, who hitherto found refuge in libertarian movements of a quasi-religious nature ranging from the Socialist Bund to the sundry contemporary lib movements, will be increasingly hard put to continue to palm off Judaism and Jewishness as a sort of libertarian cult. A negative programme — fighting anti-Semitism — has been adequate hitherto to galvanize Jewry. Battling against the la[te]ly risen animosity toward Isr[ael] may be a substitute cause for a limited future. However, positive unifying program[me] cannot be dispensed with much longer if dissolution, assimilation and *yerida* are to be halted. In 2000 years no one has come with a viable positive programme other than Tora. Is it not time for a full-hearted return to its pathways?

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O, for a strong regime

By EPHRAIM KISHON

ONE NEEDN'T LOOK at the public opinion polls or get a knife in one's back to find out that Israelis are beginning to hanker after a stronger regime. Our honest citizens dream at night about an Administration capable of setting things right, about a strong hand, or a military dictatorship — each according to his outlook, his vocabulary, or the supper in his belly. Some people respond to this mounting tendency among our public with scorn, others with dismay, and others again don't want to hear about it. But the yearning exists, and we'd be surprised if it didn't.

For the time being, that's what it is: a yearning.

ISRAEL is a Chosen People in every sense of the word. No other nation fulfils such a historic mission, carries such a heavy load of sacrifices under so much grumbling and self-contempt. There just is no other nation like it in the world. It's a vocation and a burden to belong to this peculiar people — who move mountains while being swept by abysmal despair, who build and devour their country at one and the same time. Above all, however, this is a tribe which loves its freedom to the point of exaggeration, which has always rejected all forms of domination and restraint — whether from within or without — from the moment it took its first steps on the historical stage a good few thousand years ago.

How then does it happen that a bunch of rugged individualists like that suddenly begins to yearn for a strong hand?

It certainly can't be due to the nature of our present rulers. There's no question that few dishonest regimes were elected as honestly as ours. This is a standard multi-party Establishment, almost Western and almost socialist, with all the light and shadow that implies. We have a democratic and helpless Parliament, an upstanding and spend-thrift leadership, an unsufferable and efficient bureaucracy. In peacetime, even in a time of victories, one can live with an Administration like that. In an era of defeats, of a fight for survival — it won't do.

THE ISRAELI who dreams of a strong Government isn't thinking of our international situation, for which the idols of the outgoing guard are responsible. The Israeli has a hunch that he's not being told the whole truth — that President Sadat is a sleeping partner of the P.L.O., according to a fairly transparent division of roles; that 14 billion dollars' worth of armaments are bought for no other reason than to destroy the State of Israel; that American support hovers somewhere between their sense of partnership with us and giving alms to a pest; that the Syrians get what they want because they can kick up the racket of a people ready for war, whereas our Government often looks like a frightened peace-pigeon — so much that Israelis may sometimes feel a pang of envy for the wide powers of President Assad...

Yet for all that, *these* are not the complaints our public makes to its rulers. Every reasonable person understands that our political situation is a direct consequence of our numerical and economic insignificance on the world scene.

The public aspiring to a firmer leadership asks quite different questions — questions which have nothing to do with numbers, oil, or the U.N.

The Israeli citizen doesn't see, for instance, why we had to wait 25 years to discover that there's also such a thing as *Jewish* refugees from *Arab* countries, the more so since as plenty of sensible people among us kept shouting just that into the thick ears of our officials. The public wants to know why and how we've got to a point where on the back of every dumb citizen engaged in production, 2.5 clerks sit and check his wage-slip; that under the impact of the October Revolution in Leningrad one is forbidden to build apartments for rental in this poor country, but is permitted to get rich, is *obliged* to get rich from index-linked bonds; that we suffer from a brain-drain and get a brawn-gain instead — and no one lifts a finger except the demonstrators of "Shinui"; that the great Conference of Jewish Solidarity was as stimulating as a sleeping-pill; that our universities are full of great fellers instead of students; that the last remnant of Zionist youth are considered law-breakers; that the filth on our streets increases apace with our foreign-currency deficit; and the jack-knife becomes a desirable household implement. The citizen asks how come that at the height of our war of survival every dim secretary can paralyse this country, that Peretz shuts the harbour, Ziegler the airport, and Birnboim the Treasury — a fantastic absurdity, unique in the annals of embattled nations. How come, for pity's sake?

Is it any wonder then if the public decides that its given regime is too weak in a time of national crisis? The public's longing for a regime with decisive authority is quite healthy and democratic. It's a sign of the life-instinct.

REGIME, we said, and not leaders. We would hazard the assumption that Mr. Rabin is not so far away from all that's been said above. Yet he, like us, is imprisoned in the vicious circle of a mummified party rule. Most of the errors; oversights and blunders committed by the Establishment are due to sheer ineptitude, to the mediocrity which characterizes all regimes of this kind in the West. Men of talent are frightened off by the monotonous rattle of the political mills, and the chairs in the Knesset — and in the Government, too — are filled with third-league players, each of whom costs the taxpayer half a million pounds per season.

It works somehow in the fat years, but not in times like ours. The members of the ancient Roman Senate, those past masters of political wisdom, declared a dictatorship for a limited period in hours of national peril. Arik Sharon calls it an emergency Cabinet. The fastidious say: a central government with wider powers. The citizen cries: just as long as somebody comes!

That somebody doesn't exist among us. Unfortunately, we have no Kemal Ataturk — nor, fortunately, do we have a Fidel Castro. We have no soldiers with enough time to spare for making revolutions, nor do we fancy Portugal-type shenanigans. We are simply crying out for a regime which, democratic though it be, can turn Beilinson into a hospital, Ashdod into a harbour, and soccer fields into soccer fields. We crave for a new leadership which will be capable of reducing our parasitic bureaucracy with one great kick, and of lowering the living-standard of our parties; a leadership which dares change our currency and put an end to the sovereignty of black capital; which is free to fire workers who don't labour and enterprises which don't work; which is equal to shifting the reins from the workers' committees to the Government; which is ready to answer violence with violence, and to shut rapists and robbers up for life. We pray for the coming of a strong and self-confident rulership which can put things in order *here at home*, in our streets and restaurants.

It's not because of Arafat that people want a dictatorship, but so they should be able to watch a movie in peace again.

DEMOCRACY has invented a dictatorial model of its own — a sort of compromise between political liberty and common sense. It's called the President Principle, and is in force today in such countries as the U.S. and France. Under a sober-minded regime like that they stick to the wondrous election game, complete with posters, slogans and bands, and they even allow the party delegates to sit *en masse* in parliament and congress. But the government, the central authority, is in the hands of a crack-team made up of the best brains to be got, never mind the number stamped on their party-card or their glorious record at the district-branch. That's how it happens that a mediocre functionary like Gerald Ford picks the most talented men for his aides, whereas our Premier is so surrounded and besieged by mediocre functionaries — and in a country swarming with talent at that — that our leadership looks like a boat in which each member of the crew uses his oar to row in a different direction or wham a different head.

It isn't really dictatorship the people in Israel look for, but more skill at the top. Under the present system such a change is unfortunately ruled out. Anyone who watched the TV show of grinning and giggling M.K.s debating the Security Council's invitation to the P.L.O.; anyone who heard those interruptions worthy of a kindergarten, or the measured shrills of the Chairman; anyone who just even looks at those vacuous faces, will know that nothing *can* change here as long as the chairs are chairs, the gavel a hammer, and the tongues awag.

Our heartfelt wish to wake up one day and find ourselves with a presidential republic chockful of experts and sages is a wishful dream. It was easier to prevail upon Caligula to take his pension and quit than to persuade any of our faction leaders to vacate their seats. The strong-hand partisans among us can do nothing except clamour for a weeding of politicians from the political scene, and hope for a new Hanukka miracle, so that the old lights that are hardly enough for a day won't last us till the end of time.

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READERS' LETTERS

TOURISM AND THE MINISTRY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We refer to your report, "Tourism Ministry 'underestimated' importance of international meet" (December 7). This attack against the Ministry of Tourism is due to our refusal to approve the trip of three people under the guise of participating in a convention because of national and economic considerations.

The Ministry of Tourism has participated for many years in regional and international conventions of the American Society of Travel Agents. These conventions serve as a meeting place for various sectors involved in tourism, the practical use of which is doubtful. This organization does not influence policy decisions with regard to promoting tourism and in these times of budgetary economies, we saw no necessity to incur expenses which, in our opinion, were superfluous. On the other hand, we supported the delegation's visit to places where it could help promote tourism.

We are astonished that Mr. Y. Yahav considered it necessary to hold a press conference in the course of which he criticized the Ministry of Tourism for its indifference towards and lack of interest in the ASTA convention. There were official grounds for the Ministry's decision and no justification to attack it at a press conference.

Incidentally, your readers may be interested to know that Mr. Yahav wrote to the Director-General of the Ministry of Tourism to thank him for the cooperation the delegation got from our representative in Canada, for whose efficiency and help he had high praise. What a pity he did not report this at the same press conference.

MICHA GIDRON, Spokesman, Ministry of Tourism
Jerusalem, December 8.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your letter writers Katharine Falk and Samuel Shoshane (November 28) give as their reason for the fall in tourism the usual complaints that may or may not be true, namely that the people they deal with are rude, that the service is bad, that the food is no good and that it is very costly.

My wife and I, with no reason for going to Israel other than a love for Zion, have made 11 visits since 1958 and we plan our twelfth in May. We are just as fastidious in our tastes as the next person and we have visited almost every country in Europe, South America, the Middle and Far East, and I must say that none of them is any better in any of departments that your correspondents deplore.

We found on our visit in May 1975 that the hotels were much cheaper than in Europe and that many commodities were unusually cheap in Israel. In all the years we have visited, no one has been rude to us, no one has tried to overcharge us. Perhaps here and there a waiter could have been a little nicer, but we have some pretty awful ones here also and that is not a reason to condemn a country.

Anyone who says that he can get a better deal on a visit to another country is obviously only a tourist and not a lover of Zion.

Dr. and Mrs. ISRAEL GERBERG
Brooklyn, December 4.

SWEDEN AND THE JEWS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Jonathan Davis' remarks about "Neutral Sweden" (December 4) are wide off the mark.

Sweden did not turn back a single refugee — Jewish or not — who managed to reach its borders during World War II. Other neutral countries did. In fact, practically all of Denmark's Jews made their way to Sweden, with the active assistance of the Swedish authorities, before the Germans could deport them.

The statement that Sweden transported hundreds of thousands of Nazi troops to make it easier for the Germans to conquer Norway in exchange for 22 million dollars (??) is utter nonsense. No German troops transited Sweden prior to the total occupation of Norway in 1940. In 1941 Sweden did permit the transit of *one* German division to Finland and it also authorized the transit through Sweden of soldiers on home leave from Norway.

Regrettable as they were, those measures were taken at a time when German military power in Europe was such that the Swedish government felt that it had no choice but to comply with German demands.

MARCEL STEIN
Tel Aviv, December 11.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — All your friends in Sweden are very sorry today. You must realise that many if not most of the people are against the UN decision and are very disappointed over the blindness of our leaders. It is really hard to understand how such a thing could happen.

For years we have been Zionists in our hearts, although we are not Jewish and we are deeply wounded by this provocation.

Our vote was unfortunate and we are ashamed about it. We protested this morning in Swedish papers and even directly to the Permanent Swedish Mission to the UN.

INGEGERD-INGVAR KVARNSTROM
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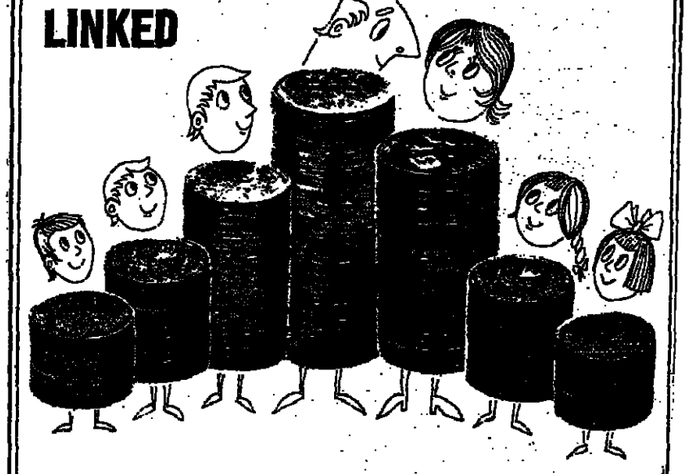
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